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Thu 1900 WBCQ 7415 9330-CUSB?
Thu 2100 WRMI 9955
Fri 0030 WRMI 9955
Fri 0330 WWRB 3185
Fri 1430 WRMI 9955
Fri 2030 WWCR1 15825
Sat 0800 WRMI 9955
Sat 0800 IPAR/IRRS/NEXUS/IBA 9515
[second, fourth, fifth Saturdays, maybe]
Sat 1330 WRMI 9955
Sat 1630 WWCR2 12160
Sat 1800 IPAR/IRRS/NEXUS/IBA 7290
Sat 1900 WRMI 9955
Sun 0230 WWCR3 4840
Sun 0630 WWCR1 3215
Sun 0800 WRMI 9955
Sun 1515 WRMI 9955
Sun 1900 WRMI 9955
Sun 2330 WWCR4 9980 [NEW]
Mon 0330 WWCR4 5890 [NEW]
Tue 1530 WRMI 9955
Tue 1900 WBCQ 7415 9330-CUSB?
Tue 2230 WRMI 9955
Wed 0030 WRMI 9955
Wed 1530 WRMI 9955
Wed 1900 WBCQ 7415 9330-CUSB?

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** ALBANIA. 13755, R. Tirana, at 1436 April 8 during English to NAm, just barely audible as higher-latitude propagation paths are still degraded; amid much stronger signals from Cuba on 13740 and 13770 which had to be attenuated (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ANDAMAN & NICOBAR ISLANDS. 4760.00, *2353-2400 fading out, INDIA, 30.03, AIR Port Blair, Hindi announcement, "Vande Mataram" and playing this national hymn, announcement, Sitar music, 35343 (Anker Petersen, on my AOR AR7030PLUS with 28 metres of longwire here in Skovlunde, Denmark, via Dario Monferini, 1 April, playdx yg via DXLD)

** ANTARCTICA. 15476.000. LRA-36, 1202, tentative. Only a weak carrier here, detectable in LSB (to escape China on 15480), but sadly, no audio getting through. Hopefully this is a sign of better conditions to come; didn't even have a carrier on prior attempts. 7 April (David Sharp, NSW Australia. FT-950, NRD-535D, R8, ICF-2010, ICF-SW7600GR, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST) As in 10-13, new sked is M/W/F 12-15

** ARGENTINA. (harmonic), 2380, (2 x 1190 presumed), UNID with soccer 2348 on Mar 29. Seems this is a Radio Nacional, since they mentioned "la radio p˙blica" at one moment. Tucum·n?

Argentina (harmonic), 2860, UNID with folk music by Los Fronterizos ("La tristecita") at 0112 on Mar 31 (Horacio A. Nigro, El Pinar, in Departamento de Canelones, a seaside resort located at nearly 30 km east of Montevideo, Uruguay, Easter DX week, Kenwood R600, longwire 100m beamed E, NE, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ARGENTINA [and non]. 15820 LSB, unidentified feeder, 2154-2344*,

March 27, Spanish talk. Spanish pops/ballads. Weak at tune-in but improved to a fair level by 2330. Abrupt sign off (Brian Alexander, PA, DX Listening Digest)

15820/LSB, UNID relay; 2151-2212+, 26-Mar; 2 M&W with chit-chat in Spanish; Spanish & English pop tunes; ads & promos; 2200+ La Tarde Argentina (program name?); some ID spots with AM & FM & onda media, but could not snag an ID; numerous mentions of Argentina & Buenos Aires. SIO=243, some screech bursts before 2200 (Harold Frodge, Midland MI, USA, Drake R8B + 125 ft. bow-tie; 85 ft. RW & 180 ft. center-fed RW, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15820, looking for LTA, LSB program feeder, instead heard hi-speed RTTY, quite an obstacle, April 5 at 0031.

15345.2, R. Nacional, UT Monday April 5 at 0035, tango on bandoneÛn, then ID as ``Radio Nacional de Santa Fe, y 40 emisoras, pasan a transmitir un sorteo``, fair and clear signal, nothing to het it. Appears that this regional station regularly feeds programs to the national LRA network. I suppose one might try for its own QSL.

This report, with a number of other items keyed as MPDX below, consists of a quick 40-minute bandscan just before and after local sundown, performed at Meadowlake Park, Enid, with DX-398 on battery power, and its reel-out antenna running ENE-WSW next to the north side of the lake, a pleasant setting and the usual shoreline gooseshit missing; also away from household, neighborhood noise levels, but a T-storm was approaching, so QRT earlier than planned (Glenn Hauser, MPDX, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ASCENSION [and non]. 6100 at 0514 April 5, talk in Luso Portuguese, must be an African morning service, VOA? No, there is none in the morning. At 0523 with English lesson featuring British accents and London locales. BBCWS scheduled 0430-0530 M-F only, at 102 degrees. Off at 0529*

[And I forgot to include this in original report: this signal had a hum on it and frequency slightly unstable with BFO on; sometimes happens with Ascension, maybe something to do with their power supply.]

After that, I did hear a weak Yankee Doodle Dandy, I drowsily thought on 6100 too, but must have been 6095 S„o TomÈ about to open VOA M-F French, unless that has shifted.

6100, April 7 at 0527 VG signal with rap music, and hum, cut off at 0529* with no announcement, how rude. It`s listed as BBC Portuguese to Africa via Ascension at 0430-0530, 250 kW at 102 degrees. They really

need to work on getting rid of the hum, something you would not expect from one of the world`s major SW transmitter sites on the air for many years and supposedly being upgraded. Wonder if it has something to do with wind power generation (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1507, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Viz.:

BBC GENERATES CLEAN ELECTRICITY FOR ASCENSION ISLAND

The BBC English Bay Wind Farm has started to generate clean electricity for Ascension Island. On Thursday 18 March the first of the wind turbines started generating electricity. Since then three more of the five wind turbines have been commissioned, and last one should be running soon.

The wind turbines were made by Enercon in Germany who chartered a ship to send them to Ascension. Each turbine is 37m to the top of the tower with a 33m rotor diameter, making them 53.5m (176 ft) tall to the tip of the blades. The rotor spins at approximately 35rpm and always in a clockwise direction. The turbine automatically turns to face into the wind. The towers are steel and the blades are made of fibreglass. The wind turbines are the same model as on the Falklands .

Each wind turbine can generate up to 330 kW (450 hp) when the wind speed is 30 mph (25 knots) or more. If the wind speed is lower than this the turbine will produce less power. The wind on Ascension is excellent for generating power as it is both strong and consistent; the wind also seems to be well correlated with the electrical load on Ascension - that is, the wind is strongest at peak times for electricity usage. The power from the wind farm goes directly into the island electricity system.

Once finished the wind farm will be capable of generating up to 1650 kW on a windy day although most of the time it will average about 900 kW. Ascension Island uses between 1000 kW and 3000 kW depending on the time of day and the BBC transmitting schedule. This means that the wind farm will contribute a significant percentage of the islandís electricity and help to reduce the amount of diesel burnt. This is better for the environment as it means cleaner electricity, a lower carbon footprint, fewer diesel tankers and less reliance on fossil fuels (Source: The Islander)(April 6th, 2010 - 13:19 UTC, by Andy Sennitt, Media Network blog via DXLD)

** AUSTRALIA. 2310, 3/4 2040, VL8A Alice Springs, talks, good!
2325, 3/4 2043, VL8T Tennant Creek, talks // 2310 fair
2485, 3/4 2046, VL8K Katherine, talks // 2310 fair (Giampiero Bernardini, RX: Perseus - Ant: Wellbrook LFL 1010, QTH: Bocca di Magra (La Spezia, Italia), dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** AUSTRALIA. Whilst Radio Symban is again off-air here. I understand a new domestic SW station will be opening up in this region before June (all going well). (Ian Baxter, NSW, March 27, shortwavesites yg via DXLD) 2368.5 and 3210 respectively (gh)

** AUSTRALIA. Radio Australia audit for 3/31/2010 at 1100 UT heard in western New York -
5995 kHz to the West Pacific, very good, slight QRM from SS on 5985
6020 kHz to Central South/West Pacific, excellent/no QRM
9475 kHz to Asia, fair-good, no detectable QRM
9560 kHz to West Pacific, good, slight QRM from evangelical on 9550
9580 kHz to Central S. Pacific, excellent/best of all freq.
9590 kHz to CSP/WP, very good, slight QRM from Habana/SS/? on 9600
12080 kHz to CSP, no detectable signal, noise/local harmonic only
(S McLean, Buffalo, NY DX-440/45m random wire, dxldyg via DXLD)

** AUSTRALIA. I hear that some of the transmitters decommissioned by CVC at Darwin may be going on to useful second (third?) lives: two 100 kW could wind up at Radio Australia, Shepparton, if rather expensive shipping costs of a megadollar can be covered. RA may also be getting a 300 kW transmitter, DRM-capable, and some new antennas to serve Africa and SW Asia. Some other equipment from Cox Peninsula has already been donated to HCJB Kununurra (Glenn Hauser, WORLD OF RADIO 1507, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** AUSTRIA. HS relays to the Americas are all on 9820: 25 minutes each at 00 for CAm, 0030 for ENAm, 01 for SAm; in UT-days on Tu-Sa, but only 15 min. on Sun and also on Mon where it has been noted as far back as UT-3/1 when it was on 7325/9840.

So contrary to earlier note saying Austria would only be heard six days a week to us, it's heard daily, and is a relay of the 6 pm (1600 UT) domestic newscast. Haven't heard the 1200 slot for Asia/Australia yet but I expect it's on 17715 as was the case last summer (Joe Hanlon, NJ, March 30, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9820, looking for ORF`s remaining sesquihour to the Americas at 0000-0130, April 5 at 0058: nothing audible. Not on UT Mondays, or maybe missed them during a beamchange? (Glenn Hauser, MPDX, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

On the OE1 program on 9820: I think I told you but on UT-Monday they are only running a 15-minute program on the three beams; Tue-Sat it's 25 minutes. Haven't checked if they are on UT-Sun yet (Joe Hanlon, NJ, April 6, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BANGLADESH [and non]. BBC Bengali morning programs to be produced in Dhaka --- The existing morning programmes (0030 and 0130 UT) of BBC

Bengali service will, in future, be produced and presented live from Dhaka while the 30 minute evening programmes (1330 and 1630 UT), will continue to be broadcast from London. Seems like a cost cutting exercise (Alokesh Gupta, New Delhi, April 1, dx_india yg via DXLD) What about Kolkata? (gh)

** BELARUS. 6010, 2245-2310 30.03, Belaruskaje Radyjo, Brest, Belarusian song programme, now scheduled 23 hours a day: *0200-0100* 54454, heard // 6040, 6070 and 6080 all weaker (Anker Petersen, on my AOR AR7030PLUS with 28 metres of longwire here in Skovlunde, Denmark, via Dario Monferini, 1 April, playdx yg via DXLD)

** BELARUS [non]. R. Belarus via Radio 700, Germany --- I finally managed to receive R. Belarus on Radio 700 today, April 4 from 0840 to 0859 on 6005 here in SW Germany (SONY ICF7600GR with a standard long wire antenna). It was a music program with tons of wonderful Belarusian music. I'm not sure such music would appeal to German listeners, though, as lyrics are the biggest appeal of those songs.

The German-speaking Belarusian hosts promised the English program of R. Belarus to come up next. But sure enough, I heard some Radio 700 programing, instead. A very good broadcast, too. Its content seems to have been geared to true DXers - with some schedules and interval signals of various international stations.

From about 0905 UT I also heard domestic Belarusian Radio on 6010 from Brest. But its modulation wasn't as good as that of Radio 700 (Sergei S., Germany, April 4, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

``The German-speaking Belarusian hosts promised the English program of R. Belarus to come up next.`` Of course, since it is obviously a recording of the Radio Belarus output from the previous evening (Kai Ludwig, Germany, ibid., continued under GERMANY, ibid.)

** BELGIUM [non]. The Disco Palace em DRM --- Copiado durante alguns minutos, entre 2040 e 2100 UT, em 15755 kHz, a transmiss„o DRM P-Stereo da emissora The Disco Palace, com transmissor de 100 kW na ilha de Bonaire e feixe dirigido para os USA/Canada, portanto de costas para o nosso QTH... 73 de (Roland PY4ZBZ, 2 April, radioescutas yg via DXLD)

** BELIZE [non?]. Hi All, I assume you've all been to the ETOW.org website? They (and me) are working with Oklahoma State University and the Belize Ministry of Education to put SW radios into remote schools in Belize.

OSU's media department have asked if the educational broadcasts that'll soon start can be delivered digitally. Of course I said YES

and proposed DRM as the solution.

OK, I know what you are saying; "How will the schools be able to afford the radios and what would they benefit from it anyway?". Well, the thing the schools lack is not money or facilities but rather infrastructure. There are PC's in the schools which can be utilised but without Internet access the teachers are stuck for research facilities, etc.

OSU and the MinOfEd are planning to broadcast radio programmes containing all sorts of material that the schools will have to either listen to live, or tape for a later replay. What if that broadcast could be digital and as well as contain the original material could also contain course notes, etc. along with it?

With this in mind, I've started designing a Direct Conversion receiver with a 10(ish) kHz output. I've chosen to use off the shelf crystal values so as to minimise the cost. The only issue with this approach is that the transmitter frequencies that will deliver the material are now limited to a small handful (about 30 or so). However, there are plenty in the tropical band and a few in the top of the MW band too.

I'm also planning on adding USB sound interface so that one single cable will run to the PC rather than a few. As for the antenna, I'm giving some thought to a ferrite loop such as one would find in an AM radio. It should be good up to about 5 MHz. The addition of such an antenna would mean that ETOW could provide a single black-box solution for about US$30 or so. I'd be grateful for your input and ideas on this project. Thanks (Mark Phillips, April 1, drmna yg via WORLD OF RADIO 1507, DXLD)

EOTW = http://earstoourworld.org/ mainly about Haiti and Africa; they had been featured on the Happy Station last year (gh, DXLD)

** BHUTAN. 6035, BBS. Not that it means much, but I did get an email from Ngawang Dorji, BBS Bhutan transmission head. I had asked if there was something different about their broadcast that enabled me to suddenly be able to hear them (such as something different about the 50 KW transmitter or perhaps with more power?), but he only responded with a generic: ìsir, thank you listening to our station... your report is correct... wish you best of luckî (Ron Howard, Asilomar Beach, CA, April 7, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hi Ron, Checked with BBS again today, they are still running the old txer with 30 kW power output. Regards (Alokesh Gupta, April 8, ibid.)

** BOLIVIA. 4451.2, RADIO SANTA ANA. Santa Ana de Yacuma. 2328-2350 abril 1. Finalizando el pgm: El Mensajero de la Mosquitania, luego el

pgm: Serenata feliz aniversario, con mensajes musicales. "...Radio San Ana, una amistad que no se olvida..." (Rafael RodrÌguez R., Fomeque, Cundinamarca (90 km al suroriente de Bogot·), Colombia, con el Sony ICF 2010 y antena hilo de 10 metros, playdx yg via DXLD)

** BOLIVIA. 4410, R. Eco, Reyes presumed, only carrier detectable with snippets of modulation at imagination level. Mar 30 at 0129. QRN.

4417 [sic, presumably means 4717! --- gh] R. Yura, at 0133 on Mar 30, ID: " R Yura, LV de los... trasmitiendo en la frecuencia de onda corta... banda internacional de... Bolivia". QRK 2. QRN (Horacio A. Nigro, El Pinar, in Departamento de Canelones, a seaside resort located at nearly 30 km east of Montevideo, Uruguay, Easter DX week, Kenwood R600, longwire 100m beamed E, NE, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BOLIVIA. 4796.44, Radio Mallku, Uyuni, 1010-1016 April 4, 2010. The Bolivian, but no ID (listed as Radio LÌpez in the WRTVH 2010). Nice Andean pan flute solos through tune-out. Clear and fair (Terry L Krueger, Clearwater, Florida, USA. 27.55.83 N, 82.46.08 W, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Then why assume it was more likely Mallku? (gh)

6155.19, Radio Fides, La Paz, 1038-1042 April 4, 2010. Fair in passing with Spanish man, maybe Catholic service on this Easter morning (Terry L Krueger, Clearwater, Florida, USA. 27.55.83 N, 82.46.08 W, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BOLIVIA. Om het lijstje van gisterenavond aftemaken op de 49mb, tijden zijn tussen 2330 en middernacht in UT, April 5:
5952.468, Emisora Pio XII. Spanish talks about the socialists, ID as ""Emisora"" 73, (Maurits Van Driessche, Belgium, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BOLIVIA. RELANZAMIENTO DE RADIO NACIONAL DE HUANUNI!!!!!

El director de la DirecciÛn Nacional de ComunicaciÛn Social (DINACOM), Johnny Delgado, informÛ hoy que el relanzamiento de la Radio Nacional Huanuni del departamento de Oruro, a 400 Km de La Paz, estar· a cargo del vicepresidente ¡lvaro GarcÌa Linera; seg˙n cita la agencia gubernamental de noticias ABI

La noticia contin˙a haciendo click en http://www.elmundodelaradio.com (Arnaldo Slaen, April 4, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

This is about 10 kW on MW 1260, which is hardly superpower, and no mention of shortwave. So outside the Southern Cone it may not merit !!!!! (Glenn Hauser, ibid.)

** BOLIVIA. 6134.80, Radio Santa Cruz, 0905-1000 April 2; At tune in,

noted a couple of females in conversation. Found this using the WinRadio G305e, but had to switch to a real receiver to hear the audio. The WR just doesn't fill the bill for DXing. There's never enough audio available, even though the signal can be seen in the spectrum display. Getting back to the logging, noted a male joining in with the ladies as the time passed. Signal was fair on the Watkins Johnson HF1000. Best heard in LSB. Rechecked this at 1028, and noted that the signal had improved to a fair to good even using the WR. Noted a female and male in Spanish language comments then (Chuck Bolland, WinRadio G305e/pd, Watkins Johnson HF1000, JRC'S NRD-545, ALL HOOKED UP TO THE SAME DIPOLE ANTENNA VIA A SWITCH, 26.27N 081.05W, Clewiston FL, WORLD OF RADIO 1507, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Radio Santa Cruz, 6134.797 kHz, 2235 UT 4-4, Nice ID (Maurits Van Driessche, Belgium, WORLD OF RADIO 1507, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

6134.80, Radio Santa Cruz, 1003-1030 April 7. What a pleasure! To tune into RSC with a strong clear signal that had no interference from any others. To make matters better, heard a decent ID at 1004 as "Radio Santa Cruz`` ... by a female. This was followed with commentary on the economy presented by a male and female. I was really surprised with the good reception here. I am thinking they might have replaced a tube or two in the old transmitter recently. Signal was good (Chuck Bolland, Clewiston FL, WinRadio G305e/pd, 26.37.34.65N 081.05.34.19W, WORLD OF RADIO 1507, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

6134.810, Radio Santa Cruz, 0935-1000 April 8, Noted a male in news until 0941, with many mentions of "Lima" and "Bolivia". At 0942, music presented. Signal this morning is fair, but not as readable as it was yesterday? What's the difference I wonder? I am using the same receiver and antenna. Haven't checked the condition numbers from WWV. Maybe there's an answer there? Anyway, as the time got closer to the hour mark, the signal seemed to improve somewhat (Chuck Bolland, April 8, 2010, ibid.)

Well, you should have checked WWV. A- and K-indices have been quite high, enhancing signals from south but are settling down now (gh)

** BRAZIL. 4865, RADIO VERDES FLORESTAS. Cruzeiro du Sul, Brasil, *0940-1000 abril 2. MelodÌa. S/on "...amigo ouvinte, bom dia; neste instante est· entrando no ar a R·dio Verdes Florestas, transmitindo em ondas mÈdias na freq¸Íncia de 940 kHz, ondas tropicais freq¸Íncia de 4865 kHz. Convidamos a vocÍ a juntar conosco atÈ as 22 horas; aqui sempre espera a melhor m˙sica e notÌcia em primeira m„o; que Deus conceda a todos un bom dia..." (Rafael RodrÌguez R., Fomeque, Cundinamarca (90 km al suroriente de Bogot·), Colombia, con el Sony ICF 2010 y antena hilo de 10 metros, playdx yg via WORLD OF RADIO 1507, DXLD) He quoted this as a mixture of Portuguese and Spanish so I

tried to Portuguesify it (gh)

** BRAZIL. 5993, 02/04 0842, BRASIL, R Bandeirantes. Sinal esp˙rio provavelmente da freq¸Íncia de 6090 kHz. Em 6090 kHz a Radio do Dr. Gene Scott [ANGUILLA] encobre quase que totalmente o sinal da R·dio Bandeirantes. Em 9645 kHz sinal fraco e um pouco mais forte em 11925 kHz. Assim o sinal esp˙rio apesar de um zumbido que chega juntamente com ela est· com o melhor sinal atÈ mesmo das freq¸Íncias oficiais. Voltando ‡ freq¸Íncia ‡s 0921 UT o sinal foi totalmente absorvido pela R Senado (Jorge Freitas, Feira de Santana, Bahia, Brasil, Degen 1103, Dipole antenna, 19 meters - east/west, dxclubepr yg via DXLD)

** BRAZIL. Om het lijstje van gisterenavond aftemaken op de 49mb, tijden zijn tussen 2330 en middernacht in UT, April 5:

5964.940, Radio Nova Vis„o, typical Brazil mx.
6070, R. Capital, Rio de Janeiro, local music and talks in Portuguese.
73, (Maurits Van Driessche, Belgium, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

What about CVC Chile on 6070 in Spanish after 2300? (gh, DXLD)

** BRAZIL. At 2317 April 6 on 9665, heard Brazilian preacher, PMR not yet signed on; R. Voz Mission·ria, 10 kW in SC; southern conditions enhanced, northern degraded (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BRAZIL. 9818.9, Radio 9 de Julho, S„o Paulo, 0856-0915, 04-04, religioso, portuguÈs, locutor: "Bom dia", "O Filho de Deus, Jesus Cristo", canciones religiosas. 24322 (Manuel MÈndez, Lugo, EspaÒa, escucha realizada en Friol, Grundig Satellit 500 y Sony ICF SW7600G, Antena de cable, 10 metros, orientada WSW, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9819.9, April 8 at 0648, poor signal with music, no doubt R. Nove de Julho, as confirmed frequency was off, compared to WBAP 820 by tuning the MHz dial only on the FRG-7 with BFO on. South America was prime source of only weak signals on band at this time; see PERU for a similar case (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hi Glen[n], on 6 April I heard Radio Nove de Julho on 9818.76 kHz with an ID at 2301 UT: "Radio Nove de Julho CatÛlica". Regards, (Karel HonzÌk, CZECHIA, ibid.)

** BRAZIL. Re 10-13, timesignals on 10 MHz with no announcements:

10000, Observatorio Nacional, Alguem tem sintonizado os 10000 do ObservatÛrio Nacional? Em vez de falar as horas fica apenas um bip tipo de relÛgio digital, e n„o o tic tac que fazia antigamente e n„o fala as horas (Wesley, 31 March, radioescutas yg via DXLD)

As ondas curtas do ObservatÛrio est„o fora do ar. O sinal escutado vem de observatÛrio dos EEUU que fornece a hora em UTC. 73 (Luiz Chaine Neto, Limeira sp, April 1, ibid.)

SaudaÁıes! Dirney, David e demais, Meu QTH fica a uns 3 km da antena transmissora do ObservatÛrio do Valongo que transmitia em 10 MHz; contudo, h· algumas o sinal n„o est· mais presente nos 10 MHz.

Quanto ‡ saudosa Radio RelÛgio Federal do Rio de Janeiro (580 KHz), tenho uma gravaÁ„o realizada nos anos 80. Segue o link:

http://www.4shared.com/file/254053838/b70c0836/Radio_relogio_RJ_580_KHz_-_ide.html (PU1WJH, Ricardo Cavilos, April 1, radioescutas yg via DXLD)

** BRAZIL. 11749.86, Radio Voz Mission·ria, FlorianÛpolis, 0140-0210, April 2, Portuguese religious talk. Portuguese religious music. Announcements. Weak but readable. Stronger on // 5939.94 (Brian Alexander, PA, DX Listening Digest)

** BRAZIL. High-latitude paths wiped out by geomag storm, leaving little but weak Brazilians on 25m, April 6 at 0616, wacky wailing preacher David Miranda detectable on 11765v and something surely Bandeirantes on 11925 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BRAZIL. Re 10-13, R. InconfidÍncia back on 15190 [not]:

Glenn: Pois ja acho que provavelmente n„o era a InconfidÍncia, pois nas noites posteriores a emissora dos EUA (Your Family) deduzo, tambÈm esteve presente nos 15190 e com programaÁ„o religiosa em portuguÍs, emitindo com 100 kW. Vou esperar mais alguns dias e continuar monitorando (Edison Bocorny Jr., Novo Hamburgo- RS, 31 Mar, radioescutas yg via DXLD)

** BULGARIA. 6000, 04/apr 2106, R. Varna-Zdravei More, *presumed*, in Bulgarian. OM presents news. At 2107 a recorded speech. At 2108 YL talks. Very weak signal, strong QRM from BBC in 6005 kHz. At 2116 pop music and YL presents a music program. At 2122 UT YL short talks and more pop music. At 2141 UT YL in long talks (Jorge Freitas, Brasil, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1507, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Looks like you got Varna just in time --- it`s been suspended: (gh)

BULGARIA, From today April the 6th after 55 years on MW Radio Plovdiv will already only on FM and etc. Currently closed forever are the txs in Suvorovo and Haskovo on 1485 kHz and Dobrich 1584 kHz.

Temporary are stopped 14 MWs and Varna on SW (mentioned in the info as on 9300* kHz). From the local stations only Blagoevgrad 864 khz is

leaving on the air. The list for now (maybe will be more changes?) is:

Sofia 261 1&P
Vidin 576 2
Petrich 747 1&F
Salmanovo 747 1&T
Blagoevgrad 864 B
Samuil 864 1&T
Malko Tarnovo 963 1
Kardzhali 963 1&T
Targovishte 1161 1&T
Dulovo 1161 1&T
Kardzhali 1296 2

where 1=Horizont, 2=Hristo Botev, P=Parliament, B=Blagoevgrad, T=Radio Bulgaria in Turkish.

Vidin 1224 kHz Foreign Service is silent now 1600-1800 UT (Rumen Pankov, Bulgaria, WWDXC BC-DX Apr 6 http://topnews.wwdxc.de via B¸schel, WORLD OF RADIO 1507, DXLD)

* rather Varna weekend service on 6000 kHz. (wb)
RADIO VARNA Bulgarian
2100-2400 Sunday Black Sea 6000 V100/ND
0000-0300 Monday Black Sea 6000 V100/ND
(Wolfgang B¸schel, ibid.)

Hallo! Some observations from April 7th / 1530 - 1710 UT

1224 kHz Ext. Service - break between 1600-1700 UTC
747 kHz Ext. Service // 1224 kHz but without the break
261 kHz Horizont
864 kHz Radio Blagoevgrad
963 kHz only Horizont / no signal heard from Radio Shumen
1161 kHz Horizont with echo - so at least 2 tx on air

no signal from Bulgaria heard on 594 / 576 / 828 kHz
73, (Patrick Robic, Austria, A-DX via Kai Ludwig, ibid.)

Most remarkable: No signal on 594, so Pleven either goes off until 2100 UT (had no opportunity to check earlier in the day so far) or, which is more likely of course, has been shut down. Practically 594 is at night a dead frequency here now, on usual radios only a mess of some carriers can be made out, at times not even this.

1224, which has pretty faint modulation, goes off at 2200 UT. Last night Iran quite nicely emerged from the Spanish mess this frequency otherwise is.

1161: Probably all three transmitters are still on air, in fade peaks

there appear to be even three transmitters, with the prominent one (which would be Stara Zagora) being the one with the second-longest delay. But this could be a deception.

And indeed 261 is still on air, too, quite weak but // 1161, so no doubt indeed the Vakarel transmitter. Both 261 and 1161 stay on air beyond 2200 UT. [interesting these two are 900 kHz apart, possibly making 2 x IF image on 450 kHz IF receivers --- gh]

Next step will be to search for more details, since the initial announcements were obviously not correct.

By the way, the project to sell the Bulgarian transmitter network to ÷sterreichische Rundfunksender GmbH finally fell through:
http://news.dnevnik.bg/?y=2010&m=2&d=9
(Kai Ludwig, April 7, dxldyg via DXLD) Related:?

** BULGARIA. BULGARIAN REGULATOR SELLS PART OF BROADCASTING DIVISION TO FINANCIAL INVESTOR | Text of report in English by Bulgarian national news agency BTA

Sofia, April 7 (BTA) - Vivacom (Bulgarian Telecommunications Company AD) has signed an agreement to sell 50 per cent of its broadcasting division - National Unit Radio and TV Systems (NURTS) - to international financial investor Mancelord Limited and has applied for approval by the Communications Regulatory Commission (CRC), Vivacom said on its website on Wednesday.

The new joint venture's main focus will be development of the digital network infrastructure of the company in order to position it as a competitive player on the digital broadcasting market in Bulgaria. NURTS will benefit from the additional financial support to develop innovative solutions for its digital TV infrastructure.

"NURTS needs a financial injection that will help us implement our strategic investment programme associated with the introduction of digital television and radio broadcasting. This transaction will help us turn the company into a nationwide modern multiplex service provider," said Vivacom CEO Bernard Moscheni.

According to the EU requirements all Member States must fully cease the analogue broadcasting signal by the end of 2012. Bulgaria is also committed to meet this deadline. In order to fulfil the criteria it is necessary to build infrastructure that makes transmission possible through the new technology.

NURTS is the leading provider of radio and television broadcasting services through its unique network of over 800 strategically located

sites covering nearly 100 per cent of the Bulgarian territory. Since 2006 it has been developing in Sofia an experimental DVB-T multiplex for transmission of digital terrestrial television. So far, NURTS has been a division within the Vivacom group. After getting the necessary approvals by the CRC and Commission on Protection of Competition (CPC), NURTS will become part of a joint venture in which BTC will have 50 per cent.

International investment bank Lazard has advised Vivacom on the deal.

Mancelord Limited is represented in Bulgaria by Bromak Ltd., majority shareholder in Bulgaria's Corporate Commercial Bank Ltd. (CCB). The press recalls that CCB financed the purchase of a TV channel and five newspapers by Irena Krusteva. Bromak is a partner in Krusteva's media group. Source: BTA news agency, Sofia, in English 1312 gmt 7 Apr 10 (via BBCM via WORLD OF RADIO 1507, DXLD)

** BURMA [non]. ARMENIA, 15480, DVB, Democratic Voice of Burma program via Yerevan Gavar Kamo site, Burmese at 1430-1530? April 2nd. Noted at 1435-1440 UT. Typical "metallic modulation sound" of former USSR gear. S=8-9 level in Germany (Wolfgang B¸schel, Stuttgart, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST) but you don`t hear the jamming? (gh)

** CANADA. 13725, April 5 at 0039, RCI with El Castor Mensajero (``The Messenger Beaver``) mailbag in Spanish, VG signal reciting complete A-10 RCI Spanish schedule, ``en vigor desde hoy 28 de marzo``, so this was a replay of last week`s show! Staff off for Easter holiday weekend? In English, the mailbag is attributed to a maple leaf instead of a beaver; why? (Glenn Hauser, MPDX, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CANADA [and non]. For the first time in many months, Geomagnetic storms reaching the G3 level have occurred, says SWPC, and the K-index hit 7 at 12 UT on April 5. This has severely degraded SW reception, except on the lower frequencies and except for southerly paths on some higher bands.

For example, April 6 at 1355, CRI relay via Sackville on 15260 was quite weak instead of usual inbooming, while // 9650 was still strong. Hardly anything else audible on 19m except REE/Costa Rica 15170; nothing from Europe as the K-index was 4. See also USA, for nighttime observations of WRMI, WYFR, WTWW, WWCR, WWRB.

9650, Sackville, April 8 at 1433 with RCI IS and IDs loop in French and English, VG signal in what is supposed to be KBS World Radio relay in Korean; I know I was hearing that OK earlier in the hour as I tuned by, so lost feed, and same situation at 1436, 1444, probably for rest of hour. BBC also had an anomaly on 31m: see SINGAPORE (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CANADA. CFRX QRM: see CHILE [and non]

** CANADA. License of CHEV-1610 Toronto ON Renewed by CRTC

This is the 99 watt silent station that on paper just will not go away. The License of CHEV-1610 Toronto has been renewed to the end of July of this year. Of course 1610 has been used in Toronto by CHHA for some time, and CHEV not even appear in the current Industry Canada database. At least the CRTC is aware that CHEV has to find a new frequency..... http://www.crtc.gc.ca/eng/archive/2010/2010-196.htm

BAF Audio Visual Inc.
Toronto, Ontario
Administrative renewal

1. The Commission renews the broadcasting licence for the low-power AM radio programming undertaking CHEV Toronto from 1 April 2010 to 31 July 2010. The licence will be subject to the terms and conditions in effect under the current licence.

2. If the licensee has not filed an application for a new frequency by 17 May 2010, the Commission may not renew the licence further.
73, (via Deane McIntyre VE6BPO, March 31, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CHAD. 6165, RNT, 2221-2232* March 29, 2010. French man and woman with news items, highlife fill at 2229. Man for a few seconds at 2230, then orchestral anthem, off. Fair-good and in the clear (Terry L Krueger, Clearwater, Florida, USA, 27.55.83 N, 82.46.08 W, April 2, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

6165, RNT, 2205-2301*, April 3, French talk. African hi-life music. Sign off with National Anthem at 2300. Fair to good signal but some occasional adjacent channel splatter. On late tonight. Sign off usually at 2230 (Brian Alexander, PA, DX Listening Digest)

** CHILE [and non]. Hola Glenn, respecto a sobre si el programa "Primera Luz" de CVC La Voz, se transmite desde Santiago de Chile o desde Miami, pues la ˙ltima vez que los escuchÈ daban informaciÛn del tiempo en Santiago, y saludaban a los oyentes como si estuviesen en esa ciudad, me puse en contacto con personal de dicho programa, y vÌa e-mail me confirmaron que dicho programa se transmite desde Miami. Este es el e-mail:

"Gracias por escribirnos al programa Primera Luz. Este se emite desde Miami, para obtener mas informaciÛn te pedimos que visites http://cvclavoz.com Esperamos noticias tuyas, y contin˙a en la sintonÌa de CVC La Voz. Marian Luna M. Miembro del Equipo RDS CVC La

Voz" --- Un cordial saludo, (Manuel MÈndez, Lugo, EspaÒa, April 1, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

CVC admits that the program we both heard pretending to originate from Santiago is actually coming from Miami (gh, DXLD)

11900 & 11940, big dirty mushy spurs with plenty of modulation from fundamental 11920 via CVC, April 5 at 0041 with HCJB Portuguese ID in passing. So CVC enters another season having done nothing to fix these, which we have reported repeatedly, and surely are heard all over the Americas and beyond.

6070, CFRX with heavy QRM in Spanish causing fast SAH, April 5 at 0058, // clear 11665 with CVC La Voz ID. Unfortunately, CVC has resumed using 6070 at 23-02 on 30 degree azimuth, so forget about listening to CFRX during those two sesquihours.

All we can do is anticipate the scheduled reduxion to only two hours, 23-01, from October 10 when DST resumes in Chile, a seemingly irrelevant event having nothing to do with Miami. BTW, Manuel MÈndez asked CVC and they admitted that the Sunday morning program pretending to come out of Santiago is axually from Miami like everything else (Glenn Hauser, MPDX, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1507, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CHILE. VHF --- Ol· pessoal, ”tima propagaÁ„o ontem entre 2130 e 2200 Z para o Chile em VHF. Nunca tive sinais t„o fortes mesmo no ˙ltimo ciclo solar operando com long Yagi (hoje disponho apenas de dipolos). Muitas estaÁıes em 50.110 MHz, beacon CE3AA em 50.0296 MHz e os seguintes canais musicais chilenos em FM:

47.900 MHz: S9
48.205 MHz: S2 (aparentemente dois sinais, um musical e outro falado)
48.300 MHz: S9+20
48.365 MHz: S4
49.200 MHz: S7

GravaÁıes: http://www.youtube.com/user/py2zx#g/c/0AB52704A5CA9B99 (Fl·vio PY2ZX Arcangelo, Brasil, April 5, vhf-dx-sur yg via PY1PDF Jackson, radioescutas yg via WORLD OF RADIO 1507, DXLD)

Probably sporadic E, not directly correlating with solar cycle. Those are the background music stations which would probably be heard much more widely if people could and would troll those frequencies (gh)

** CHINA [and non]. FOREIGN CORRESPONDENTS CLUB CHINA & TAIWAN (EMAIL ATTACKS)

Once a month members of the Foreign Correspondents Club (FCCC) in

Beijing & Taiwan connect via video link. Last night the discussion was around a series of recent attacks of journalists who had their e-mail hacked and forwarded to an unknown recipient.

One of our members here in Taiwan confirmed that his e-mail account was accessed on March 16th. He managed to find the IP number, which was a China IP number. Even our own PCJ Media site had some unusual activity with someone using an IP number in China trying to access the webmaster page on February 22nd. After my IT guy changed the security settings it stopped and there have been no more unusual logs from strange IP addresses based in China. Below is the message sent to all FCCC members in China & Taiwan on March 31st.

``The FCCC has confirmed eight cases in recent weeks in which journalists based in China and Taiwan have had their Yahoo email accounts hacked, with several accounts disabled by Yahoo on March 25.

In one instance, a Beijing-based journalist`s account had an unknown forwarding address added, sending all the journalist`s messages to an unknown recipient.

Yahoo has not answered the FCCC`s questions about the attacks, nor has it told individual e-mail users how the accounts were accessed. Password security and malware are ongoing concerns, but it`s unclear whether they are related to this case.

We recommend that you take particular care with any information sent by e-mail, especially with any sensitive information sent via Yahoo accounts. Check your privacy and forwarding settings in all web-based mail (found in Yahoo under ``mail options``). Change your secure passwords frequently, but please remain aware that this mode of communication ultimately can`t be considered private.

The FCCC reminds you that e-mail does not appear to be secure in China, and that alternate means of arranging interviews and conducting other sensitive business are often preferable.

For tips on creating a strong password, please see:
http://news.cnet.com/8301-19518_3-10310092-238.html

The FCCC has previously notified members to be cautious about malicious e-mail attachments and provided some guidance on making G-mail secure. There have also been incidents in which the e-mail of foreign correspondents` local assistants have been targeted`` (Keith Perron, Taiwan, March 31, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CHINA [and non]. 15140, Firedrake music jammer, much, much stronger than the day before. S=9+10dB on April 2nd at 1410 UT (Wolfgang

B¸schel, Stuttgart, Germany, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

7525 02/Apr 2043 Firedrake Chinese with moderate signal (Jorge Freitas, Brasil, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9355 // 9905 in Chinese, fair signals at 1906 April 2. RFA is scheduled via Saipan and Palau, respectively; only heard one signal on each, so either it was RFA without any jamming audible, or jamming without any RFA audible, but if China, it was plain programming, not echofeed.

Firedrake April 4: only found on 8400 at 1333, and poor with flutter.

Firedrake, April 5 at 0037: fair on 14970, poor on 15970.

Firedrake April 7 at 1310: good on 8400, not found on any of the 7 or 9 MHz frequencies.

Firedrake April 8: at 1410 poor on 8400; at 1415 better on 10300 (not 10400), and 1417 in all-drumming passage; 1418 weaker on 11500, no others found (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CHINA. Glenn: When I've listened in recent days to 7105 at 22-2300 GMT, the modulation of the carrier is a CNR service - but not the one everybody keeps reporting as being on 7105.

Is quite clear, the ID just before time signal & carrier being dropped at 2300 is that of CNR's mobile phone service, link for it on at top of their web page: http://www.cnr.cn/2009images/zgsx/index.html (listen for yourself, snippet attached).

Am curious, seeing how the modulation source can change on this carrier (because it is there to obscure SoH, anything will do), any chance folks presuming is the Inner Mongolian service if the instrumental feed isn't heard & is said to be the Inner Mongolian service because at some point in the past it had been reported as being this? I say that because if source does change & observers were really listening to it, then there should be the occasional report of something other than the Inner Mongolian service. Either I just happen to have listened to it at times they used another source (what are the odds?) or absolutely nobody else manages to listen to it when other than the two reported sources are being used (again, what are the odds on that?).

Speaking of service names, CNR doesn't name them by numbers, which is how CNR is often reported. Where to find a reference to equate these numbered service names with what one would hear in transmissions of these services?

Tnx. 73, ex-VR2BG/p (Brett Graham, April 4, WORLD OF RADIO 1507, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hi Brett, I`m afraid our logs in North America of Chinese stations rely on a lot of listings and assumptions, as understanding Chinese even enough for an ID is a challenge for many of us.

I am copying this to our top active monitor of Asia, Ron Howard who may have some comment on this. Of course we are unlikely to hear 7105 at the time in question.

The World Radio TV Handbook has China`s networks numbered in that way. See page 150 of the 2010 edition. So does the Aoki frequency list: http://www.geocities.jp/binewsjp/bia10.txt

Input such as this from your close vantage point is most welcome.

I see you are ex-VR2BG --- does that mean you have moved away from HK, or had a problem with renewing your license? 73, (Glenn Hauser, ibid.)

Okay, I think I see now where it comes from - there is a CNR page giving info on some of CNR's services & in it they've numbered the services, see: http://www.cnr.cn/2009images/plb/

However, it has duplicates - how to tell the difference between the first & the fifth services in the list? They are both services with names that translate into English as "CNR Voice of China".

And those numbers, if you follow the link for schedule/frequency information on each one, you will see are also the numbers in the left-most column, which is clearly labeled in Chinese as "language". Although "short cuts" are common in Chinese, "language China one" or "language China twelve" indicate absolutely nothing to me nor my native-fluency/literacy-in-Chinese girlfriend as to which Chinese dialect those services are in.

So it seems those numbers are more like the numbers one might use to index a list and this is how these numbers appear to be used by CNR itself. The services themselves I have yet to hear ID themselves using those numbers, as one would hear "BBC Radio 1" or "RTHK Radio 3". I have only heard them use names. My name is Brett Graham, but if I were a mainland Chinese radio service, I'd probably be called "Graham 1". Might as well call me Rhubarb 27. But don't call me Ralph. ;^)

Of course, it could be that different sources are used for the 7105 transmitter tasked with covering up SoH, but it does seem odd to me that absolutely everybody seems to be saying they hear "PBS Nei

Menggu" when they tune in & for several days in a row, when I do the same, I hear the "CNR mobile phone" service ID instead.

Unlike the SWL community, in MS [intruder monitoring service] (was my only interest in all this) what we log in theory the national amateur radio society of the source will take it up with their telecom authority, as we log use of amateur service allocations not in conformance with the ITU RR so that something can be done about them. You can imagine where we might get with that if what we say was heard is not at all what was actually there. The consequences for mis-IDing for us are significant - not so I think for the SWL community.

Aoki's frequency list, when I work backwards towards root URL, I see mention of an A10 schedule. In it, I see even schedule info for SoH that SoH itself not give. I also see mention of "PBS Nei Menggu" on 7105, with remark about B08. Yet China not have any more broadcast scheduled through HFCC now in 7100-7200.

I'm getting the impression that Aoki's schedule is built from current sources, carry-over of old sources and probably has some amount of it-looks-like-this-is-it-but-perhaps-not-based-on-any-source information. Nothing at all wrong with that - for the SWL community does the job - but if as I'm beginning to suspect the MS community says the same thing the SWL community is saying because it doesn't know any better, is not doing MS any good.

> I see you are ex-VR2BG --- does that mean you have moved away from HK, or had a problem with renewing your license?

No, I'm still in HK. The licence did lapse for a while and a few years back our TA seemed to be trying very hard to find a way to prevent me from renewing it but they not try those tricks again. I say ex-VR2BG now as home has become a concrete box in a stack of concrete boxes and I probably will never be radio-active here again as a result.

I'm listening to 7105 on the PI4THT web SDR, neat way to get around the concrete box problem, as well as propagation. 73, (Brett/p, April 8, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hi Brett, Greetings from California! Have had several wonderful trips to Hong Kong and love your city!

The 7105 frequency had only been noted by me in the past during my local morning, about 1400 UT or so, but have not heard them there for many months. I was lucky to be able to tell it was PBS Nei Menggu, as it was parallel with 9520 and was not for jamming purposes. In addition to which it had several very noticeable spurs on 7085, 7095, 7115 and 7125. Very distinctive!

Afraid I have no knowledge of the time period you are hearing 7105. Thanks for sharing your observations with us! Wish you continued good listening! Best regards, (Ron Howard, Asilomar Beach, CA, USA, ibid.)

** CHINA. 4940, Voice of Strait, 1500-1530, April 4. A full half hour Sunday ìFocus on Chinaî program; IDs: ìThis is the Voice of Taiwan Strait News Radioî; then ìThis is the Voice of Strait. Fuzhou, China"; news items about China (national recycling campaign; water diversion project to bring water to Beijing; etc.). Mostly poor; this program will be unusable for me in a few weeks due to too much daylight; will have to wait till later in the year to hear this program again. The good news is that they still consistently use the ìThis is the Voice of Taiwan Strait News Radioî ID at 1300 (Ron Howard, Asilomar Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CHINA [and non]. 6020, April 5 at 0059 CRI in English mixing with music from another station. Another long-term case of frequency mismanagement by those who fail to observe what happens in the real world rather than the computer models. CRI is 305 degrees via Albania to CIRAF zones 7-10, i.e. USA and Mexico, while REE via Costa Rica at 110 degrees to northern S America, so no conflict, right??

Maybe not if REE could keep its nearby signal from going in any other direxion, impossible. Also ignored is the persistent het from 6019.3 Radio Victoria, Per˙, bothering them both in respective targets. But serves the ChiCom right for jamming or blocking countless other station-frequencies (Glenn Hauser, MPDX, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CHINA. 6520, 02/04 0933, Nei Menggu PBS, in Mongolian(??). OM e YL talks. Curta m˙sica. Sinal moderado a fraco, mas comeÁa a degradar rapidamente. 73 (Jorge Freitas, Feira de Santana, Bahia, Brasil, Degen 1103, Dipole antenna, 19 meters - east/west, dxclubepr yg via DXLD)

?? Unlisted frequency, typo? Maybe 7420 or 9520 which are listed (gh)

** CHINA. Apr. 02, 1750z, 9435 kHz with a very good signal I've heard CRI in Serbian - Let's Learn Chinese program. I was VERY surprised to hear them at this time, since CRI is on short wave in Serbian only at 1200-1300, 2000-2030 & 2100-2130z.

After listening more carefully, I realized THIS IS CRI IN CROATIAN!!! I know the CRI Croatian section was established in 2008 as a web-only station, but it looks like they started broadcasting in Croatina on short waves. I've searched for a // freq, and I've found 7335 kHz also carrying CRI Croatian, with a good signal.

CRI Croatian website http://croatian.cri.cn shows the schedule for SW:

1700-1757z on 7335 & 9435 kHz
2100-2157z on 6135 & 7225 kHz

Since this is new on SW, I guess it is not registered yet with the HFCC? Best regards & many 73s! (Dragan Lekic from Subotica, SERBIA, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

6135 kHz was Beijing 500 kW 2100-2157 in year A-09 season !
53rd language on CRI in 2009 year.
Contact: http://croatian.cri.cn/

Kratkovalna emisija:
19:00 - 20:00: 7335 KHZ (40.90 m) 9435 KHZ (31.80 m)
23:00 - 24:00: 6135 KHZ (48.90 m) 7225 KHZ (41.52 m)
e-mail: cro @ cri.com.cn tel: +86-10-6889 2091

http://www.croatia.org/crown/articles/9577/1/China-Radio-International-in-Croatian-language-on-the-WWW.html
http://www.croatia.org/crown/articles/9577/2/China-Radio-International-in-Croatian-language-on-the-WWW

Chinese and Croatian postage stamps. --- Two very nice postage stamps have been issued by Croatian Post on the occasion of 15 years since establishing diplomatic relations between China and Croatia (1992-2007). Both stamps have been designed by Boris Ljubicic, one of the best Croatian designers.
http://croatia.org/crown/content_images/2008/china_marka.jpg
http://croatia.org/crown/content_images/2008/china_hrv_marka.jpg
(Wolfgang B¸schel, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CHINA [non]. CRI totally behaves today on 9570 --- Today, CRI is transmitting within spec on 9570 [via CUBA] at 12 UT. RA is totally in the clear on 9560, 9580 & 9590. No sign of the scratchy mess that normally ruins these channels. Why the difference? (Andy Reid, Ont., 1224 UT April 2, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

There actually is a bit of noise from 9570 but it is much surpressed compared to the past (Andy Reid, 1238 UT ibid.)

Back to normal today :-((Andy Reid, April 3, ibid.)

CRI via Cuba missing today on 9570! All RA frequencies in the clear. I would like to think CRI has found a new frequency but that would be wishful thinking (Andy Reid, 1220 UT April 5, ibid.)

Indeed. Noticed 9570 on April 7 and I think 6 (gh, DXLD)

** CHINA [and non]. Apr. 02, 1807z, CRI German and IBRA Radio

colliding very strongly on the same freq of 11650 kHz! CRI is via URU/500/308, IBRA is via WOF/250/137. Best regards & many 73s! (Dragan Lekic from Subotica, SERBIA, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** COLOMBIA. COLOMBIAN MW OFFSETS --- A great resource of Colombian MW files made available by Don Moore on his page:
http://www.pateplumaradio.com/south/colombia/hj2010/hj10_trip2010dx.html

Please note that the receiver hasn't been calibrated and the recordings show higher frequencies than they should, about 10 Hz in the low end of MW and up to about 30 Hz in the high end (Mauno Ritola, Finland, 5 April, mwoffset list via Nick Hall-Patch, IRCA via DXLD)

And, if you're not a chaser of offsets, lots of Latin American listening. Why wait for the aurora? Like for my Middle Eastern files posted earlier, if you don't own one of RFSpace's software defined radios, simply download and install Spectravue, and play them back:
http://www.moetronix.com/svdownload.htm
Best wishes, (Nick Hall-Patch, BC, ibid.)

** COLOMBIA. Re PROPAGATION, far below, Colombia like a local on 760: Barry: Very much alone, isn't it? They've previously been listed at 10 kW in the WRTH but in your clip I hear a mention of 30,000 Watts so maybe they have a new transmitter (Chuck Hutton, 7 April, ibid.)

** COLOMBIA. 6035.0, LV del Guaviare, San JosÈ Guaviare, 0210-0236*, April 2, Spanish religious music. ID announcements. Sign off with National Anthem. Fair signal. (Brian Alexander, PA, DX Listening Digest)

** CROATIA. Summer A-10 schedule of Croatian Radio HS-1 in Croatian:
0459-0758 on 6165 DEA 100 kW / non-dir to WeEu/NoAf
0759-1358 on 7320 DEA 100 kW / non-dir to WeEu/NoAf
1359-2028 on 6165 DEA 100 kW / non-dir to WeEu/NoAf
2029-0458 on 3985vDEA 010 kW / non-dir to WeEu/NoAf
(DX Mix News, Bulgaria, 05 April via DXLD)

** CUBA. MW DXers have been reporting ``the wobbler`` active lately on 730 kHz, and now so do I, April 5 at 0106 check, like someone playing a musical saw, obscuring whatever stations are trying to make it on the frequency. The same has appeared previously on many other MW frequencies traced to Cuba, as some kind of transmitter defect, since there appears to be no reason to employ this technique for deliberate jamming. Indeed this looped to the southeast/northwest (Glenn Hauser, MPDX, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Viz.:

The Wobbler on 730 has been around, or should I say back, for at least a couple months, though how well it gets out no doubt varies.

I have it very strong tonight with extreme excursions in frequency, which should be good for hearing beyond the "local" area. Tune USB 729.5 kHz to hear it easier (W. Curt Deegan, Boca Raton, (southeast) Florida, USA, April 1, IRCA via DXLD)

Another, less dramatic wobbler can be heard tonight on 650. I heard a Radio Progreso ID, and I believe they're the source of the wobbles (Barry McLarnon, VE3JF, Ottawa, ON, UT April 2, ibid.)

Wobbler on 730 is in tonight, not very strong but clear. Thanks to Curt and Kevin for mentioning this. Am amazed that this nonsense still emanates from Cuba (Tom Jasinski, Shorewood, IL, ibid.)

The 730 Wobbler, presumed R. Progreso Nueva Gerona IJ, sounds about as extreme as it was last night, here. Very easy to hear, even without off-tuning or using USB.

The one on 650 is harder to hear and more intermittent. But these do strange things with propagation thrown into the mix.

750 has a Wobbler, presumed R. Progreso Sancti SpÌritus. An occasional Wobbler on 870, R. Reloj also Sancti SpÌritus. Possibly 910 R. Metropolitana La Lisa CH, but very sporadic.

A few other possibles were heard but not such that I could be certain, would require listening longer (W. Curt Deegan, Boca Raton, (southeast) Florida, USA, ibid.)

[730 wobbler] Glenn, also noted in South Africa last week on our DXpedition to Seefontein. Rgds (Vince Stevens, MWC yg via DXLD)

730, wobbler 0134-0137 April 1, 2010. Big wobble.

1140, Radio Rebelde, unknown site 0134-0137 April 1, 2010. Parallel 1180 (1620 with Rebelde FM as is the usual case in the evening from the 1620 transmitter on the western half of the island). (Terry L Krueger, Clearwater, Florida, USA, 27.55.83 N, 82.46.08 W, April 2, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

1140, Radio Cadena Habana, unknown western Cuba location, 1325-1340 April 4, 2010. Today's audio relay is RadCadHab, and rocking out with Nirvana, male ID 1329 into news.

5025, Radio Rebelde, 1018-1028 April 4, 2010. Several English female jazz vocals in a row (the same vocalist), unusual to hear that. Spanish female announcer at 1028, into Spanish jazz vocal. Must have been a program block. Parallel 670, 1180, 1620. Excellent.

5040, RHC, 1036-1046 April 4, 2010. Nice, traditional son vocal with flute, only parallel found was 6140. Recheck 1046 with interval signal into jazz clarinet. Gone at 1101 re-check. Excellent (Terry L Krueger, Clearwater, Florida, USA. 27.55.83 N, 82.46.08 W, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

5040.00, R Habana Cuba, La Habana, 2330-1100*, Mar 24, New on 60 mb! Schedule seems to be: 2300 English, 0000 French, 0100 Creole, 0130 French, 0200-1100 Spanish, except Esperanto 0700-0730 Su, ID: "...sintonizan Radio Habana Cuba...", 54444. At 0025 observed with QRM from AIR Jeypore and from R Cultura do Para 5045 (DíAngelo, Bernardini, Bueschel in Dxplorer, Cody, Churchill and Ferguson in Dxplorer, Goonetilleke, Hauser, MÈndez, Monferini in PLAY-DX, Padula, Petersen, Slaen and Wilkner, merged reports in DSWCI DX Window March 31 via DXLD)

Did anyone axually hear 5040 in Esperanto at 0700 Sunday? I would expect it to be at 0000 Monday, ex-13790 like the French which it pre-empts (gh, DXLD)

** CUBA. 13680, RHC, La Habana in Spanish at 1300-1400 UT Apr 2nd, covered by IBB Radio Svoboda via VT-group Rampisham relay from 1359:45 UT. Equal signal level then. \\ RHC Spanish on 13780 kHz underneath DWL German via VT-group Woofferton relay. Both RHC S=3-4.

But different Cuban program, likely Radio Nacional de Venezuela, observed at same time on 15120[and BSKSA Bangla co-channel] and 15360[S=7] kHz. Speech to the crowd transmission, on "...capitalism, ... musulm·n ..., dinero ..." Presidente de Angola on visit (Wolfgang B¸schel, Stuttgart, Germany, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

RNV is not scheduled at this time, nor on 15120/15360. I never hear any separate programming at this hour, but if it`s a screwup, always possible at RHC, e.g. RNV appearing an hour early one day on 11680 (gh, DXLD)

The 2030 English broadcast of RHC was missing a few days ago as I checked several times during that hour on 11760 and other frequencies, but she was back April 2 at 2037 talking about journalists being ambushed in Honduras.

15330 has mostly been free of DentroCuban Jamming Command since a day after the A-season began, but April 1 at 1801 noticed irregular pulses against nothing. Probably only one of the panoply of jamming transmitters screwed up. More about MartÌ under U S A

Radio Habana keeps us going with more and more anomalies: April 3 at 0615 I notice that English is still running on 6000, normally quitting at 0500, and also English on 6010, 6060 and 6140. Spanish on 6120 and

5040; nothing on 6150. 6000 also has a het on the hi side, but less interference than 6010 which is atop MEXICO [q.v.] and probably Colombia. However a minute or two later, RHC English no longer heard on 6000, tho there is still the het between somethings.

13680, RHC big carrier with hum, but just barely modulated // 13780 and 13770, April 4 at 1343.

On the modulated frequencies, then I noticed that programming unseemed En Contacto, the DX show supposed to be at 1335-1350 Sundays on all frequencies. Instead it was marxist propaganda, which turned out to be special coverage of the Noveno Congreso de la UniÛn de JÛvenes Comunistas, UJC, 3-4 abril en La Habana.

Finally at 1350 started En Contacto theme and initial weekly birthday greetings including to Jorge GarcÌa Rangel en Venezuela, who will be 42 on April 7. This 15-minute program was cut off at 1400 for news on 13780, so it was fortunate to get even 10 minutes instead of En CompaÒÌa del Doctor, medical program. Maybe the repeats later Sunday, UT Monday will manage the full quarter-hour? (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

17705, RHC at 0030 April 5, going from Spanish to open carrier. My bandscan downward continued inexorably so don`t know what eventually followed, but not supposed to be in Spanish before or after this hour. Axually the end of the Quechua broadcast, so about to close down.

13820, April 5 at 0038, lite DCJC noise and pulsing against nothing, long after Radio MartÌ is finished with frequency.

11600, April 5 at 0043, DCJC pulse jamming against nothing at the absolutely regular rate of two per second.

9810, April 5 at 0046, heavy DCJC noise jamming against nothing on long-abandoned R. Rep˙blica frequency --- wait a minute, there is a trace of some broadcast underneath, which must be V. of Russia, now in A-10 season via GUIANA FRENCH in Spanish to South America at 00-02, per sked in DXLD 10-13.

Commies vs ex-Commies! Cuba jams Russia, whee. At 0200 VOR/GUF switches to 9735 which is a super signal USward; see separate report (Glenn Hauser, MPDX, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST) And next item:

FRENCH GUIANA, 9810, Voice of Russia, in Spanish at 0045 UT, April 1, S=9+20dB powerhouse here in Europe (Wolfgang B¸schel, Germany, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CUBA [and non]. RHC normally makes frequency adjustments about a

week after other stations enact seasonal changes, since as an outlaw nation, Cuba refuses to participate in advance planning with HFCC countries. And so it has as of April 5:

12030, new frequency found at 1330, ex-11800 and with the same deficient lo-fi modulation, as also on 9660 afternoons, 6120 at night. 12030 is an echo apart from all the remaining parallels checked at 1356: 11760, 11730, 13780, 13880; and 19m was barely propagating, 15360, 15120; and -

RHC 6110 now has Asian co-channel, i.e. ChiCom jamming and VOA Mandarin via Tinang at 1230-1500 (also via Tinian at 1100-1230).

At 1359 Despertar con Cuba was upwrapping, to resume at 7 am = 11 UT, and 1400 frequency announcement alleged in typical disorder: ``15120, 15360, 13760, 13680, 13780, 11760, 11730, 11800, 6110``. So 12030 is unknown to the studio.

I think he said 13760 instead of 13770 where it has really been for months, but not positive as they sound so much alike. In any event, 13770 is also missing, and replacement for that found on new 15380 at 1401, much weaker than // 15360. So 15380 also unknown to the studio.

At 1419 check I suspected 12030 had disappeared but no, still there, very weak. Propagation not favorable today; 1444 back to good strength.

Full span of new 12030 and 15380 yet to be determined, but 12030 is also in use by V. of Russia and perhaps IBB Sri Lanka. 15380 has Saudi Arabia until 1400, then VOA via Wertachtal to Afghanistan from 1430.

Another check at 1700 just as Enid was testing its storm-warning sirens, found 15380 and 12030 still on, along with 11690, 11730, 11760, and JBA carrier on 6110, nothing on 13 MHz. So it`s pretty clear that 12030 replaces 11800 and 15380 replaces 13770 for all-day service and perhaps beyond.

After all that, I check RHC website and to my astonishment the schedule presented in Spanish has already been updated:
http://www.radiohc.cu/espanol/c_frecuencia/frecuencias.htm

Yet to be verified as 100% accurate, but some changes of note:
15380 runs 11-23 and 00-05 to Buenos Aires.
12030 runs 11-24 to Central America.

Also new in Spanish: 12020 // 9525 both 2300-0500 to South America.
5040 now starting Spanish earlier at 21-23, as well as 02-11, after the break for English, French and Creole (tho some have heard English

sporadically after 0200 or 0700).

5970 is new too, shown as 01-05 in English to NAm // 6000; 07-11 in Spanish to Chicago (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1507, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

I heard Radio Havana Cuba last night announce schedule for English to North America starting Monday 5th April which included a new frequency, 5970 kHz. They announced:

5970 0100-0700 UT
6000 0100-0700 UT
6010 0500-0700 UT
6060 0500-0700 UT

Not their full English schedule I think - at least doesn't include English currently 2300-0000 on 5040 kHz.

Heard this on 6000 kHz last night - only heard it announced just the once during their usual two-hour block of programmes. 6000 gave clear reception until 0430 when co-channel and similar strength Bulgaria was sharing the channel with RHC here (Alan Pennington, Sony 7600GR / telescopic, April 2, BDXC-UK via DXLD)

In Germany 15370 is now (2145 UT, 5 Apr 2010) booming in (jÛvenes comunistas, etc.), though approx. 800 Hz low. 15380 is also there but very weak. Not even a carrier on 6120 and 15120, and a very, very weak one on 5040. Weak audio on 9660, 12030 and 11730, all // 15370. 73 (Eike Bierwirth, Leipzig, Germany, JRC NRD-525, PA0RDT Mini-Whip, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

12030, RHC, 2046 April 5 has been heard as 2x2x1 // 15380 (S4 35232) and also 15370 S7. ID at 2047 (Zacharias Liangas, Thessaloniki, Greece, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Further chex of RHC new schedule: April 6 at 0608 English on new 5970 which is ex-6140 now missing, and sounds just like it did, with low modulation, // 6010 and 6060. At 0624 a stronger image appeared on 5960, receiver mix due to overload from 6060 and 6010, but vanished with attenuation. Spanish was only on 6120, 6150 and 5040 at 0608.

At 1402 I monitored the frequency announcement on 11760: same as yesterday, in fact I think recorded as speaker hesitated at exactly the same spot, before saying 11730 --- still omitting 12030 and 15380, while claiming to be on abolished 11800 and 13760, i.e.:

``15120, 15360, 13760, 13680, 13780, 11760, 11730, 11800, 6110``

New 12030 was also again audible, but not 15380 due to poor propagation.

15370 is another new frequency for RHC, April 6 at 2012 in Brazilian Portuguese, ex-11770. Online sked shows 15370 nevertheless for Europe: 2000-2030 Portuguese, 2030-2100 Arabic, 2100-2300 Spanish. 15370 stronger here than 15380, new daytime frequency in Spanish. Meanwhile at 2013, 11730 and 12030 in Spanish, 17705 in RNV Spanish;

And 11760 heard in French, which the sked claims is for Central America, with more at 2130-2200; hmm, I can`t think of a French-Fpeaking country there, and Caribe is also a valid target specified for some other broadcasts. But then, there is no Haitian-Creole speaking country in South America, either, shown as target for 2300-2330 on 17705.

Also, the time for Esperanto on 5040 is Sundays 0000-0030, i.e. meaning UT Mondays, pre-empting French other days of week; not at 0700-0730 real Sundays as DSWCI presumed, which is supposed to be on 6010, but could turn up on any of the 49m channels or even be missing (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1507, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Was able to confirm new 5970 kHz in use by RHC for English last night despite poor conditions. Heard at 0412 tune-in (//6000) and at 0532 (//6060). At 0600 (start of 2nd hour of English block) 5970 still on (//6060 and 6010). So new schedule RHC announced below looks correct apart from 6000 which may only be 0100-0500, as I couldn't hear it at all after 0500.

Plus yesterday evening, English 2030-2130 11760 and 2300-0000 5040 confirmed (Alan Pennington, Caversham, UK, AOR 7030+ /longwire; Sony 7600GR/telescopic, April 6, BDXC-UK yg via DXLD)

Here we go again. Just like its predecessor 6140, RHC`s new 5970 proves to be the channel which randomly switches between English and Spanish, no matter what the schedules may say.

April 7 at 0530 found this ``English`` frequency really in Spanish service, music at the moment // 6120 and 6150, not // the English frequencies 6010 and 6060.

Furthermore, 5040, which is supposedly all-Spanish after 0200, was in English at 0531 check, Elena Valverde`s heavily-accented ``news``. So it appears the wires were crossed so 5040 and 5970 exchanged program feeds.

New 5970 also means new spurs! At 0536 I was getting RHC English weakly on 5880, which is a leap of 6060 over 5970 another 90 kHz

lower. This was transmitted, not receiver-produced, as confirmed by still audibility with attenuation; unlike some receiver-only images forced by overload from fundamentals.

Altho 6110 transmitter moves to 6150 at 0500 to avoid Japan via Sackville, later on it`s possible for both 6110 and 6150 to be on the air, plus 6180, all // at 1225.

Besides a separate entry for 6180 at 11-13, the format of the A-10 schedule makes it difficult to sort out what is meant here since there are three frequencies separated by / and four timespans separated by / :

``Norte Centro SuramÈrica 11760/6150/6110 11-20/24-05/05-13/11-05``

Dan, probably the first two timespans both refer to 11760. There are many other entries like this. Why in the world don`t they explicitly show one frequency on one line for each timespan?

At 1357, RHC audible on 15380, 15360, 13680, 12030, 11730, missing from 15120, 13780 and 11760. Nevertheless, the frequency announcement at 1359 says ``estamos transmitiendo`` (meaning currently, i.e. both before and after that time), en ``15120, 15360, 15380, 13680, 13780, 11760, 11730, 12030, 6110``. So finally two days after the changes, new frequencies 15380 and 12030 make the list, replacing 13770 and 11800, but it still doesn`t match what is really happening (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Monday April 5 UT day we completed implementing the registered at the ITU Geneva Radio Havana Cuba's A10 schedule, that will be effective until October, although it may require some minor changes during the middle of the summer according to my analysis.

You will now be able to pick up RHC on several new frequencies, like for example 5970 kiloHertz, beaming to Central North America with our 4 by 4 curtain array. We are also now broadcasting on 12030 kiloHertz in Spanish, and we may soon be testing a daytime frequency on the 21 megaHertz or 13 meters band.

We also added two more hours to our domestic Tropical Band service on 5040 kiloHertz, that from now on will be starting at 21 Hours UT with our Spanish language magazine show (Arnie Coro, RHC DXers Unlimited script April 6 via Yimber Gaviria, playdx yg via DXLD)

** CUBA. RHC check at 0705 April 8, when you never know which frequencies will be on with which language: 5040 and 6010 in English, ``Ed Newman`` opening the mailbag on this UT Thursday. 6060, 6120 and 6150 in Spanish; and 5970 off (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CUBA [non]. Glenn: We have a new program beginning tonight: La Voz del Consejo por la Libertad de Cuba. This will be at 0100-0200 UT Tuesday-Saturday. Tonight's program is an introductory show, which will be repeated all next week. Then regular programming will begin April 12 (April 13 UT). The program host is Ninoska PÈrez CastellÛn, who many will remember as the host of La Voz de la FundaciÛn. Ninoska is now with the Consejo. Many former members of the Cuban American National Foundation formed the Consejo after the death of Jorge Mas Canosa. Sorry I couldn't advise sooner, but we just finished the production of the first program, so I didn't know when it would begin until just now (Jeff White, WRMI 9955, April 2, WORLD OF RADIO 1507, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

That takes care of the ex-Happy Station time of 0100 UT Thursdays, plus misc. other shows including some DX program repeats, but does not affect WORLD OF RADIO, now at 0030-0100 UT Wed and Fri.

I assume she became a counter-revolutionary after being saddled with a Russian name (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CUBA [non]. RADIO REPUBLICA LA VOZ DEL DIRECTORIO DEMOCRATICO CUBANO. Radio Rep˙blica en Vivo http://www.radiorepublica.org/Radio_Republica/Radio_Republica_en_Vivo.html (via Oscar de CÈspedes, FL, condiglist via DXLD)

Live streaming link; also has program schedule for each day of the week, 7 pm-midnight = 2300-0400 UT, but no mention of SW frequencies; and background on each program. Blog only has a few entries dated March-June 2009 (gh, DXLD)

[and non]. 9490, a few minutes before 2300 April 7 had DentroCuban jamming noise already running, but at 2300 check, R. Rep˙blica via RMI via Sackville had cut on, atop the jamming (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CUBA [non]. RADIO MARTI est· anunciando en los diferentes cambios de frecuencia, que por ajustes tÈcnicos de sus trasmisores de AM, la frecuencia de 1180 estar· fuera del aire por algunos dias, sin precisar fecha alguna de inicio. Cordiales 73 (Oscar de CÈspedes, FL, 0054 UT April 6, condiglist yg via WORLD OF RADIO 1507, DXLD)

April 5 at 1406 I had noticed an open carrier on 9565, likely Greenville tuning up for R. MartÌ scheduled to start at 1700; but April 8 at 1430 it`s RM already running on this frequency, and the DentroCuban Jamming Command hasn`t noticed yet, tho they have been jamming 9565 for months at other times of night when RM was never using it!

As I tuned in, RM was announcing that MW 1180 was off the air temporarily, to be back on soon but could still be heard on all its usual SW frequencies, unspecified. The regular RM SW frequencies at this hour, 11845, 11930 and 13820 were all on air vs varying degrees of heavy jamming.

So I theorize that RM was authorized to add a fourth SW frequency to compensate for MW being off the air, presumably installing new transmitter.

9565 is not exactly open before 1700, with Russia, Albania and Philippines/IBB scheduled each hour from 14 to 17, but no QRM noted here.

9565 still DCJC-free at 1508 check with news about Kyrgyzstan, and at this moment the other three were all atop jamming.

And at 2042 I detected RM JBA on 6030, that frequency on the air much earlier than usual, supposed to start at 2200; could not tell if jammed, but only other very weak signals on 49m were 6070 CFRX and 6110 RHC (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CYPRUS. Heard Cyprus OHR 9922-9951, wide range British Airforce OHR signal at 0043 UT April 1. S=9+20dB (Wolfgang B¸schel, Germany, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CYPRUS NORTHERN. 6150.03, R Bayrak, 0200-0225, April 3, horribly undermodulated carrier in the clear as soon as co-channel Budapest had left. Faint traces of English pop songs on occasional peaks and whenever AIR on 6155 kept quiet. Actual ID will remain a challenge unless their long-standing audio problem is solved, if it ever will. Meanwhile I have no doubt this is them, cf DXLD 10-13. 73, (Martien Groot, Schoorl, Netherlands, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CZECHIA. Summer A-10 of Radio Prague:

CZECH	0130-0157	on	7345
	0230-0257	on	7345
	0830-0857	on	11600
	0930-0957	on	17650
	1100-1127	on	9880
	1230-1257	on	6055
	1530-1557	on	11870
	1930-1957	on	5930
	2100-2127	on	9410
	2330-2357	on	9440
ENGLISH	0000-0027	on	9790
	0100-0127	on	7345

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        0300-0327 on  7345
        0330-0357 on  9445
        0500-0530 on  9955 RMI
        0700-0727 on  9880
        0900-0927 on 17650
        1000-1027 on  9955 RMI
        1030-1057 on  9880
        1300-1327 on 11600
        1600-1627 on  9740
        1700-1727 on  9740
        2000-2027 on  5930
        2130-2157 on  9410
        2230-2257 on  9440
GERMAN  0630-0657 on  5930
        1000-1027 on  6055
        1200-1227 on  6055
        1500-1527 on  5930
        1630-1657 on 11700 SIN
FRENCH  0600-0627 on  5930
        0730-0757 on 11600
        1330-1357 on 11600
        1630-1657 on  9740
        1830-1857 on  5930
        2200-2227 on  9440
RUSSIAN 0400-0427 on  9445
        1130-1157 on  9880
        1430-1457 on 11720
        1730-1757 on  7205
SPANISH 0000-0027 on  9445 ASC
        0030-0057 on  9790
        0200-0227 on  7345
        0530-0600 on  9955 RMI
        0800-0827 on 11600
        1030-1100 on  9955 RMI
        1400-1427 on 11720
        1800-1827 on  5930
        1900-1927 on  5930
        2030-2057 on  5930
        2300-2327 on  9440
ASC=Ascension Island
SIN=Sines, Portugal
RMI=WRMI Miami, USA
All other via Litomisl [sic]
(DX Mix News, Bulgaria, 05 April via DXLD)
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I have pointed out over and over that the RMI times in this schedule are INCORRECT. But is anyone paying attention? Of course not! (gh)

** DJIBOUTI. 4780, 3/4 2025, RDT Djibouti, songs in Horn of Africa style, excellent (Giampiero Bernardini, RX: Perseus - Ant: Wellbrook LFL 1010, QTH: Bocca di Magra (La Spezia, Italia), dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** DJIBOUTI [non]. 15165, Voix de Djibouti, *1530-1630*, April 1, via France?. Sign on with National Anthem. Qur`an at 1531. Talk in presumed Somali at 1532. French heard later. Sign off with local folk tune. Poor with adjacent channel splatter. Better reception after 1600. Thursdays only (Brian Alexander, PA, DX Listening Digest)

Summer A-10 schedule of La Voix de Djibouti in Ar/Fr+local 1530-1630 on 15165* UNID transmitter/ISS? to EaAf. On air Thu only. * QRM 1530-1600 AWR in Hindi & 1600-1630 WYFR in Oromo, both on 15160, also 1530-1630 BBC in Russian on 15170 (DX Mix News, Bulgaria, 05 April via DXLD)

** ECUADOR. For the past several days I have noticed what must be the carrier from the HD2IOA time signal on 3810 LSB, but no modulation or time pips heard. Has been good in the past (Steve Lare, Holland, MI, USA, 0958 UT April 5, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Checking this morning all seems to be well now with voice announcements and time pips noted at 0910 (Steve Lare, April 6, ibid.)

** ECUADOR. 6050, HCJB, 1031-1035 April 4, 2010. Andean flutes and vocals, male "H-C-J-B" (Spanish phonetics) ID with all other talk in a local language; mentioned "Programa Waorani" so maybe that language. Excellent (Terry L Krueger, Clearwater, Florida, USA. 27.55.83 N, 82.46.08 W, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ECUADOR [and non]. Re 10-12, more on the HCJB A-10 schedule:

ECUADOR/CHILE/LITHUANIA, VAM (Vozandes Media / HCJ). Shortwave Programme Schedules A-10.
Eastern Europe and Asia, Sitkunai Lithuania 100 kW 79 degr
9770 1530-1600 Suns only, Russian
     1600-1630 Suns only, Chechen

Europe, Sitkunai Lithuania, 100 kW 259 degr
5940 1630-1700 Lower German sce
     1700-1800 German service, Sat DX Program, Mon Letterbox

South America, Quito Ecuador, 10 kW non-dir (18/172 degrees)
6050 0000-0030 Waodani, 0030-0100[-0300 Sat/Sun] Cofan, 0100-0500 Spanish, 0830-1100[-1130 Sat/Sun] Quichua, 1100-1500 Spanish, 1900-2400 Spanish.

[on the contrary, the attached pdf undated program grid for 6050 shows non-Spanish as follows, here strictly by UT days:

Kichwa as they spell Quichua:
0830-1100 M-F
0830-1130 Sat/Sun
0030-0300 Sun/Mon
Cof·n:
0000-0030 Tue-Sat
Waorani: [note spelling]
0030-0100 Tue-Sat
English:
0330-0345 Tue-Sat (Spotlight, English learning show) --- gh]

South America, Santiago Calera de Tango Chile, 50 kW 45 degr
9835 2300-2330 German, Mon Letterbox
2330-2400 Lower German / German

South America, Santiago Calera de Tango Chile, 50 kW 25 degr
11920 2245-2300 Kulina
2300-0045 Portuguese

South America, ZP30 LV del Chaco Paraguayo, Filadelfia, Paraguay, 610 kHz 10 kW. 2300-2330 UT Mon & Sat (HCJ via Paul Reinersch-D, wwdxc March 31 via Wolfgang B¸schel, DXLD)

** EGYPT. 9250, R Nile, Cairo, 2115 April 5, 'Idaatu... Kahira' with talks in Arabic. Signal steady on S9 having relatively high buzzing audio (Zacharias Liangas, Thessaloniki, Greece, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** EQUATORIAL GUINEA [and non]. 15190, not a doubt that it`s Radio Africa, April 2 at 2114 open carrier plus hum (and also think I noticed it around 2100 or earlier). Kept tuned this time and real modulation did not start until some soft hymn singing at 2126, gradually loudening.

Next check at 2208, disgraced child-sex evangelist Tony Alamo was to be heard, but without any co-channel from WYFR Portuguese, which supposedly starts at 2200 in A-10. WYFR Spanish on 15130 not as strong as usual, but surely there would be some trace of it on 15190 if on the air. 2226 check, WYFR is finally on, atop Alamo. This transmitter seems to be especially erratic. BTW, the Brazilian who thought he had R. InconfidÍncia reactivated on 15190 agrees it was probably WYFR instead, scheduled until 0045 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** EQUATORIAL GUINEA. 15190, Radio Africa, 1930-1945, April 1, English religious talk. Radio Africa ID announcement at 1935 along with email address and Ghana address. Fair signal (Brian Alexander, PA, DX

Listening Digest)

** ETHIOPIA. 7110, R. Ethiopia, Addis Ababa, 0307-0312, March 31, listed Ahmaric. Up-beat HoA music; M at 0310 with "Democrati..." between music bits & brief talk; announcer at 0312; good (Scott R. Barbour Jr. Intervale, N.H. USA, NRD-545, 200' Beverages, MLB1, 60m dipole, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

I was not expecting to hear long-path from the Horn of Africa this late in season, but there it was April 4 at 1332 on 7165, HOA music tnx supranormal conditions. Aoki shows R. Ethiopia in Afar during this hour, and Eritrea not on frequency until later. Also noise jamming on 7175, and weaker music from R. Ethiopia on 7110, vs CW from a K4 ham. At 1402 there was talk on 7165, no more jamming heard on 7175; music audible on 7110, and similar music on 9704 without any het from 9705 (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1507, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ETHIOPIA [non]. Sabato 27 marzo 2010, *1700 - 11830 kHz (B09) ADERA DIMTSE R. - Nauen (Germania), Amarico, nxs YL. Segnale buono-sufficiente. \Solo sabato. Jamming (hash) irregolare (Luca Botto Fiora, G.C. 09E13 - 44N21, Rapallo (Genova), Italia, April 2, playdx yg via DXLD)

** ETHIOPIA [non]. Sabato 27 marzo 2010, 1600 - 9680 kHz (B09). VOICE OF OROMO INDEPENDENCE, Issoudun (Francia) - Spenta/Off. It was only on saturdays. Closed? Moved (day or frequency)? (Luca Botto Fiora, G.C. 09E13 - 44N21, Rapallo (Genova), Italia, April 2, playdx yg via DXLD)

** ETHIOPIA [non]. Sabato 27 marzo 2010, *1800 - 9345 kHz (B09). R. BILAL - Samara (Russia), Amarico, Corano e annunci OMs. Segnale sufficiente-buono. Jamming on/off not dominant (Luca Botto Fiora, G.C. 09E13 - 44N21, Rapallo (Genova), Italia, April 2, playdx yg via DXLD)

** ETHIOPIA [non]. New Ethiopian Clandestine to check at 1815

A new clandestine started last week via WRN, Ogaden Media at 1800-1830 Mon & Fri on 7425, but is now shifted to 1815-1845, probably via Armenia. Not sure what the airname is, but it could be for Ethiopia or Somalia. Maybe Radio Xoriyo? That used to broadcast on Mondays and Fridays on another 7 MHz frequency, an hour earlier per WRTH (Glenn Hauser, OK, March 29, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1506, DX LISTENING DIGEST 10-13 via dxldyg 1712 UT April 2 via DXLD 10-14)

Radio Xoriyo, heard here from tune-in at 1825 UT with a massive signal. SIO 555. Many mentions of Ogadan and clear IDs as Radio Xoriyo (pronounced "Horiyo"). Abrupt close at 1845 then CIS type transmitter tone and went off air at 1845:30 Have found a web reference to the radio at http://www.ogaden.com/ (Dave Kenny, UK, AOR7030+ 25m

longwire, 1848 UT April 2, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1507, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Yes, strong signal here too. Tune-in at 1808, open carrier. At 1814 briefly continuous 1 kHz tone and into music at 1815. Sounds like Somali, ID was something like "halkani wa radio xoriyo codki shaabi ogadenia". Announced "meterband" and "internet", address ending radioxoriyo.com. I'm not sure about the spelling of the "xoriyo". During the program they mentioned several times "WSB" - whatever that is. 73, (Jari in Finland Savolainen, ibid.)

SOMALIA (non)[sic] Summer A-10 of Radio Xoriyo Ogadenia in Somali: 1815-1845 on 7425 ERV 300 kW / 189 deg to EaAf On air Mon/Fri only. (DX Mix News, Bulgaria, 05 April via DXLD)

As we have pointed out repeatedly, the Ogaden is a region of Ethiopia where Somali is spoken. Altho this may be of some interest in Somalia itself, it should be considered a clandestine for ETHIOPIA (gh, DXLD)

** EUROPE. 6220, EUROPIRATE, Mystery Radio, 2138-2130 March 27, 2010. Pop/techno vocals, canned reverb ID. This has been putting in a pretty decent signal around this time regularly (Terry L Krueger, Clearwater, Florida, USA, 27.55.83 N, 82.46.08 W, April 2, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** EUROPE. PIRATE. 7610.05, Radio Amica, 2325-2340, April 3, Euro-pop dance music. Italian ID announcements. Fair signal but occasional QRM on high side from 2-way radio communications (Brian Alexander, PA, DX Listening Digest)

** EUROPE. 9290.4, 18.3 1515, Cool AM fra Finland spillede classic rock, E ID. 4 SHN (Stig Harvig Nielsen, Denmark, SW Bulletin April 4 via DXLD)

** FINLAND. Scandinavian Weekend Radio imminent --- After having to demolish their studio due to water damage, and missing a few months` broadcasts, looks like this low-power Finnish station is set to return for 24 hours from 2100 UT April 2: http://www.swradio.net/schedule.htm (Glenn Hauser, 1740 UT April 2, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

We try to circulate timely reminders like this on the dxldyg, which you may not see anywhere else (gh, DXLD)

5980, 0645-0815 Sat 03.04, Scandinavian Weekend R, Virrat Finnish ann, pop songs, back on the air after flooding in studio a month ago! 33333 CWQRM AP-DNK

6170, 1040-1215 Sat 03.04, Scandinavian Weekend R, Virrat Finnish ann, songs in Russian style, 35343 fading out, // 11720 AP-DNK

11720, 1050-1210 Sat 03.04, Scandinavian Weekend R, Virrat, Finnish / English ann, Evergreens, ID, asking for reception reports 35343, but QRM from Voice of Minorities, Beijing, in Uighur *1057-1157* then 33443. Have a nice Easter! Best 73, (Anker Petersen, in Skovlunde, Denmark, on my AOR AR7030PLUS with 28 metres of longwire, via Dario Monferini, playdx yg via DXLD)

** FRANCE [non]. I`ll bet you didn`t know that RFI has a Brazilian service. It`s not in the WRTH 2010 or February update, tho they have had a Portuguese service to Africa. April 2 at 2045 I am hearing RFI on 21690 via GUIANA FRENCH with a Brazilian accent, at 2059 music break, 2100 into Spanish. The 2100 Spanish broadcast in B-09 was supposedly only on 17630.

Unknown whether the Brazilian service is daily or what time it starts. To further confuse matters, 21690 is supposedly only in French intended for Africa, not Latin America, aimed 75 degrees at 17-22 UT. Maybe another program feed screwup at MontsinÈry.

This page http://www.portugues.rfi.fr/node/15397
claims that Brazilians and all Americans must listen only via satellite; the only SW frequencies in Portuguese are for Africa at other times. So was this really a program from the African service, even tho voiced by a Brazilian? Must try to listen again, if it show up again (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1507, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Trying to check whether RFI via GUIANA FRENCH, 21690, has a regular Brazilian/Portuguese transmission as heard previously around 2045: April 6 at 2015, still in French, but by 2030 was starting to fade out, still seems French, and ditto another try before 2100 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** GEORGIA. [ABKHAZIA], 1350. On March 24 observed on MW s-on with nonstop music at 0240 UT, at 0300 UT playing longtiming National Anthem of Abkhazia, at 0304 UT IS and ID in Abkhazian and in Russian. Also noted the end of program at 1800 UT winter with news in Abkhaz and Russian only on MW 1350 kHz and close/down around 1814 UT (some time later here came TWR {Gavar Kamo Armenia?}). For month already they don't using 9495 kHz anymore, but only 9535 kHz in times UT winter: 0500-0600 and 0800-0910 were in use according to the observations in March (Rumen Pankov, Bulgaria, March 29 wwdxc BC-DX TopNews April 2 via DXLD)

** GERMANY. Re BELARUS [non], above, via Radio 700 on 6005: ``The German-speaking Belarusian hosts promised the English program of R. Belarus to come up next.``

Of course, since it is obviously a recording of the Radio Belarus output from the previous evening.

``But sure enough I heard some Radio 700 programing, instead. A very good broadcast, too. Its content seems to have been geared to true DXers - with some schedules and interval signals of various international stations.``

Probably this one (I have no time to look up this matter further): http://www.addx.de/hwl/hwl.php (Kai Ludwig, Germany, ibid.)

When you visit the podcast link http://www.addx.de/hwl/podcast.xml

you can find http://www.addx.de/hwl/addx-2009-12-05.mp3
Thema: Pausenzeichen des Rundfunks (2. Teil)
Size: 2.6 MB (2,690,383 bytes)

but there is no 1. Teil (1. part)!!! 73 (DrAgan Lekic, Serbia, ibid.)

Does anybody know the title of the instrumental music from that mp3 file at the beginning 00.00:29-00:00:34? I want that melody for a decade now! Regards, (Dragan Lekic, April 6, ibid.)

I suspect it comes from a library of production music, obtained for a flat rate. If so it is not available separately.

DW-TV (at Berlin, as opposed to DW radio at Bonn) could be asked about this, although it may be a difficult question now, unless they still use this piece for current productions. This particular DW-TV trailer is, as mentioned, from 1999 (Kai Ludwig, Germany, ibid.)

They uploaded the Part 1 of Station's interval signals program...
3. April 2010 - Thema: Pausenzeichen des Rundfunks
Download: http://www.addx.de/hwl/addx-2010-04-03.mp3
73 (Dragan Lekic, ibid.)

** GERMANY. DEUTSCHE WELLE STRATEGY AND LISTENING FIGURES

Deutsche Welle has published its plannings for the 2010...2013 period and a performance review at
http://www.dw-world.de/dw/article/0,,5381479,00.html

Some notes from these papers:

DW sees a need for a budget increase from 304m Euro to 325m Euro in 2013, otherwise cuts in the offerings would be inavoidable. They seek much more cooperation with domestic German broadcasters in future.

Target audience are "information seekers", including but not limited to multiplicators [?].

Germans abroad are no longer targeted, with an exception of providing an information service in areas where the infrastructure to access domestic German media is lacking. Here DW refers to a statement from Hans Bredow institute that explicitly supports the withdrawal from this field.

As well-known, Arabic has been taken off shortwave in favour of rebroadcasts by RMC Doualiya. Abandoning shortwave is also being planned for the Asian countries in which it is hardly being used anymore. Exceptions are China and Iran where "only a low use of the radio programs on shortwave can be expected".

DW-TV is now available online in the USA, too. Previously some unspecified contract required DW to block the stream there.

Some statements to a draft copy are quoted, like one from Hamburg university: It is remarkable that DRM is no longer mentioned at all, ignoring what went wrong where it would be convenient to clear the reasons. Radio/online and TV should merge, preferably at Berlin.

The annual budget for program distribution on shortwave and "shortwave-like mediumwave" is 15.1m Euro, in detail 1.0m licence fees for the Sines, Kigali and Trincomalee facilities, 7.1m for the operation of these facilities, 7.0m for leasing airtime on third party facilities.

Other distribution platforms: Satellite 4.9m, FM 0.9m, streaming 0.4m, additional feed circuits 1.0m, other costs 0,7m.

DW radio market shares, referring to listeners per week in percent: Australia 1.9 English and 0.8 German, Canada 1.4 English and 0.7 German, USA 1.1, some cities in Chile up to 3.2 for German, Lebanon 0.8, other Arab countries 0.1...0.2, Iran for Persian also 0.1...0.2, Afghanistan 7 (a quarter of this on shortwave), Bulgaria 2.4, Sweden 0.5, UK 0.2, Spain 0.04, Moldova 1.2, Ukraine 0.9, Russia 0.5.

Market shares of international broadcasting competition: Arabic "more" than DW, Iran also more but all below 5 with a considerable decline during the last years. Generally Middle East, Asia and Europe all below 1, Russia 1 at best.

Daily use of shortwave in percent: Arabic world below 2, India 2.3, Pakistan 2.4, Bangladesh 2.5 (noteworthy: FM 3.8, MW 8.8), Afghanistan 14, China 0.5 (generally low radio use of just 10, less than a quarter of all households own a radio at all), Indonesia 0.6, Moldova 3.2,

Ukraine 1.8, Russia 1.0.

Daily use of mediumwave in percent: Moldova 5.1, Ukraine 3.1, Russia 1.6 (Kai Ludwig, Germany, March 29, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Re 10-13: ``15640 is the new 19-m frequency for DW in English at 21-22, via RWANDA, and very good at 2109 March 29 --- shhh, don`t tell anyone, but 15640 is also destined for Caribbean and eastern North America, CIRAF zones 11 and 8: DW is again overtly broadcasting in English to us! But would the Intendant deny it if asked directly?``

Without any sarcasm, just as a matter of fact: He's no broadcaster, so there would be no point in asking him about such technicalities. And on earlier occasions indeed frequencies had been suggested that could be tried in North America (Kai Ludwig, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

ERIK BETTERMANN ON GERMAN MEDIA POLITICS

Deutsche Welle director Erik Bettermann made pronounced comments on German media politics in an interview by RBB Radio Eins.

He said that new competition besides the established one from the UK, France and the USA has been emerged in the form of Russia Today, CCTV 9, Al Jazeera but also Press TV which he called "a really massive competition on the African market". Thus DW seeks to concentrate on producing content in foreign languages and refer otherwise to German domestic media. This was also the rationale behind abandoning the Astra 19.2 deg. East slot.

He continued with the statement that he does not object to the federal system as long as it does not become a church steeple policy. The fundamental problem is the division between licence fee-financed domestic broadcasting and tax-financed external broadcasting.

Politicians "have to realise that they must overcome this dogma". Germany could easily create a service like TV 5, provided there would be no need to differentiate between state and federal matters. "BBC World has strong parents, I have a federal system behind anything".

http://download.radioeins.de/mp3/medienmagazin/mm20100403.mp3

The interview starts at 2:10, after old trailers for a relaunch of DW-TV a decade ago. At 37:10 this file contains as bonus a report from 1998 about opinions that ARD should participate more in external broadcasting, since DW is by no means an adequate representation of Germany. Just the same story as now, a dozen years later (Kai Ludwig, Germany, April 5, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** GERMANY [non]. 12080, Deutsche Welle Russian via Woofferton Relay. Mar. 26 *1600-1630. Noted cut-into mid-programming with DW IDís and promotion for website. News and commentaries followed. Signal was about the best on today but as usual with heavy flutter.

6225, Deutsche Welle German via Kishinev-Grigoriopol Relay. Mar. 26 0127-0200*. Noted with extensive news commentaries, with IDís, web site, cut in mid-programming at 0200*. One of the better days hearing this signal (Edward Kusalik, Alberta, Canada, April 1, DX LISTENING DIGEST) B-09 scheduling, probably different now (gh)

** GERMANY. BFBS LEAVES LANGENBERG 96.5 MHZ -- A SUBSTANTIAL FM CHANGE

It has been discussed for long, but now BFBS will really leave the Langenberg 96.5 MHz frequency. Deutschlandradio just announced that they will take it over as of July:
http://www.dradio.de/dlf/meldungen/marktundmedien/1152496/

On air Deutschlandradio director Willi Steul said that he "staggers around the radio house, like drunken by joy". Just after the opening words in this broadcast:
http://ondemand-mp3.dradio.de/file/dradio/2010/03/27/
drk_20100327_0905_93a5fdb8.mp3

No further details are known so far. It is expected that BFBS will instead of 96.5 use other frequencies at the remaining British garrisons in the service area of the Langenberg transmitter. Some coordination work already took place, and the official Bundesnetzagentur data speaks a clear language of the political dealing this whole matter:

The requests include jokes like running 100 kW ERP into one direction and let the signal drop by 20 dB within just 15 degrees, or let out just 2.5 watts into another direction. Simply impossible (Kai Ludwig, Germany, March 28, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

I guess it's about time. The only thing is that in Germany there seem to be tons of frequencies running the same station with overlapping coverage. Is it Deutschlandradio or some other public broadcaster? In view of that I don't really get it why Willi Steul is so excited over one more FM-frequency - unless that carries an historic significance for him (Sergei S., ibid.)

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You talk about southwestern Germany (generally one must be region-

specific when discussing German broadcasting)? Here it is S¸dwestrundfunk, and it is partly the result of its history as being two independent broadcasting organizations until 1998, S¸dwestfunk from Baden-Baden and Mainz studios on one side, S¸ddeutscher Rundfunk from Stuttgart studios on the other.

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Because Deutschlandradio Kultur has in the Ruhr area only a collection of low power transmitters so far. Otherwise there are some Deutschlandfunk transmitters (the Cologne-produced Deutschlandradio program), lots of Westdeutscher Rundfunk transmitters and an abundance of low power transmitters for the pathetic local stations that for most of the day transmit a central program from Oberhausen.

The reason for this situation is that Deutschlandradio Kultur (originally called Deutschlandradio Berlin) came in 1994 into being by merging Deutschlandsender Kultur from East Berlin with RIAS from West Berlin. Thus they had not a single FM transmitter in western Germany, resulting in a big patchwork of mostly low powered frequencies there.

However, this is not the only problem of this station. Also in the regions in eastern Germany with full FM coverage, including Berlin, Deutschlandradio Kultur hardly achieves market shares of more than 0.5 percent. It appears that it is simply too elitist, out of touch with the world out there (Kai Ludwig, ibid.)

** GREECE. VOICE OF GREECE (ERA 5) A-10 PROGRAM SCHEDULE
(Effective March 28 to October 31, 2010)
  --Greek unless otherwise specified--

UT	MONDAY PROGRAM
0000-0005	Where Land and Mother Country
0005-0105	Night Excursions
0105-0135	Greek Flavors
0135-0150	On Ilines, On Bilines
0150-0200	Greek Lessons
0200-0230	Gains And Losses
0230-0300	The Songs Of Today
0300-0400	Connection With NET 105.8
0400-0500	Hello Compatriots
0500-0600	Connection With NET 105.8
0600-0800	Greek Coffee
0800-0805	Fellow-Countrymen Bulletin
0805-0817	Greek Lessons
0817-0830	I Know Sea Songs
0830-0900	Mailman

0900-0905 News In Greek
0905-1000 Traveling With Art
1000-1100 Maintenance Break
1100-1200 Radio-Newspaper (Connection With NET 105.8)
1200-1210 Fellow-Countrymen Bulletin
1210-1215 From Where And Why
1215-1245 Shipping News
1245-1300 I Know Sea Songs
1300-1400 Hello Compatriots
1400-1410 News In Greek + Fellow-Countrymen Bulletin
1410-1500 Hello Little Greeces
1500-1505 From Where And Why
1505-1600 The Songs Of Company
1600-1700 ERA5-Network Without Borders
1700-1800 Radio-Newspaper (Connection With NET 105.8)
1800-1900 ERA5-Network Without Borders
1900-1905 News In Greek
1905-1915 Athletic Panorama
1915-2100 Live Line (Marina Hatzi)
2100-2300 Awake (Connection With NET 105.8)
2300-2305 News In Greek
2305-2400 ERA5-Network Without Borders

UT TUESDAY PROGRAM
0000-0100 Radio-Newspaper
0100-0150 Traveling With Art
0150-0200 Greek Lessons
0200-0230 Shipping News
0230-0300 Mailman
0300-0400 Connection With NET 105.8
0400-0500 Hello Compatriots
0500-0600 Connection With NET 105.8
0600-0800 Greek Coffee
0800-1200 Maintenance Break
1200-1210 Fellow-Countrymen Bulletin
1210-1215 From Where And Why
1215-1315 Radio-Newspaper (Connection With NET 105.8)
1315-1345 Shipping News
1345-1400 I Know Sea Songs
1400-1410 News In Greek + Fellow-Countrymen Bulletin
1410-1500 Hello Little Greeces
1500-1505 From Where And Why
1505-1600 The Songs Of Company
1600-1700 ERA5-Network Without Borders
1700-1800 Radio-Newspaper (Connection With NET 105.8)
1800-1900 ERA5-Network Without Borders
1900-1905 News In Greek
1905-1915 Athletic Panorama

1915-2100 Live Line (Father George Afthinos)
2100-2300 Connection With ERA SPORT
2300-2305 News In Greek
2305-2400 ERA5-Network Without Borders

UT WEDNESDAY PROGRAM
0000-0100 Radio-Newspaper
0100-0150 History Of One Week
0150-0200 Greek Lessons
0200-0230 Shipping News
0230-0300 The Songs Of Today
0300-0400 Connection With NET 105.8
0400-0500 Hello Compatriots
0500-0600 Connection With NET 105.8
0600-0800 Greek Coffee
0800-0805 Fellow-Countrymen Bulletin
0805-0817 Greek Lessons
0817-0830 I Know Sea Songs
0830-0900 Mailman
0900-0905 News In Greek
0905-1000 Cultural Program
1000-1100 Maintenance Break
1100-1200 Radio-Newspaper (Connection With NET 105.8)
1200-1210 Fellow-Countrymen Bulletin
1210-1215 From Where And Why
1215-1245 Shipping News
1245-1300 I Know Sea Songs
1300-1400 Hello Compatriots
1400-1410 News In Greek + Fellow-Countrymen Bulletin
1410-1500 Hello Little Greeces
1500-1505 From Where And Why
1505-1600 The Songs Of Company
1600-1700 ERA5-Network Without Borders
1700-1800 Radio-Newspaper (Connection With NET 105.8)
1800-1900 ERA5-Network Without Borders
1900-1905 News In Greek
1905-1915 Athletic Panorama
1915-2100 Live Line (George Papazahariou)
2100-2300 Connection With ERA SPORT)
2300-2305 News In Greek
2305-2400 ERA5-Network Without Borders

UT THURSDAY PROGRAM
0000-0100 Radio-Newspaper
0100-0150 Cultural Program
0150-0200 Greek Lessons
0200-0230 Shipping News
0230-0300 Mailman

0300-0400 Connection With NET 105.8
0400-0500 Hello Compatriots
0500-0600 Where Land And Mother Country
0600-0800 Greek Coffee
0800-0805 Fellow-Countrymen Bulletin
0805-0817 Greek Lessons
0817-0830 I Know Sea Songs
0830-0900 Mailman
0900-0905 News In Greek
0905-1000 Traveling With Art
1000-1100 Maintenance Break
1100-1200 Radio-Newspaper (Connection With NET 105.8)
1200-1210 Fellow-Countrymen Bulletin
1210-1215 From Where And Why
1215-1245 Shipping News
1245-1300 I Know Sea Songs
1300-1400 Hello Compatriots
1400-1410 News In Greek + Fellow-Countrymen Bulletin
1410-1500 Hello Little Greeces
1500-1505 From Where And Why
1505-1600 The Songs Of Company
1600-1700 ERA5-Network Without Borders
1700-1800 Radio-Newspaper (Connection With NET 105.8)
1800-1900 ERA5-Network Without Borders
1900-1905 News In Greek
1905-1915 Athletic Panorama
1915-2100 Live Line (Petros Dourdoubakis)
2100-2300 Awake (Connection With NET 105-8)
2300-2305 News In Greek
2305-2400 ERA5-Network Without Borders

UT FRIDAY PROGRAM
0000-0100 Radio-Newspaper
0100-0150 Traveling With Art
0150-0200 Greek Lessons
0200-0230 Shipping News
0230-0300 Mailman
0300-0400 Connection With NET 105.8
0400-0500 Hello Compatriots
0500-0600 Connection With NET 105.8
0600-0800 Greek Coffee
0800-0805 Fellow-Countrymen Bulletin
0805-0817 Greek Lessons
0817-0830 I Know Sea Songs
0830-0900 Mailman
0900-0905 News In Greek
0905-1000 Cultural Program
1000-1100 Maintenance Break

1100-1200 Radio-Newspaper (Connection With NET 105.8)
1200-1210 Fellow-Countrymen Bulletin
1210-1215 From Where And Why
1215-1245 Shipping News
1245-1300 I Know Sea Songs
1300-1400 Hello Compatriots
1400-1410 News In Greek + Fellow-Countrymen Bulletin
1410-1500 Hello Little Greeces
1500-1505 From Where And Why
1505-1600 The Songs Of Company
1600-1700 ERA5-Network Without Borders
1700-1800 Radio-Newspaper (Connection With NET 105.8)
1800-1900 ERA5-Network Without Borders
1900-1905 News In Greek
1905-1915 Athletic Panorama
1915-2100 Live Line (Elias Kapetanakis)
2100-2300 Connection With Second Program
2300-2305 News In Greek
2305-2400 ERA5-Network Without Borders

UT SATURDAY PROGRAM
0000-0100 Radio-Newspaper
0100-0150 Hello Little Greeces
0150-0200 Greek Lessons
0200-0230 Shipping News
0230-0300 Mailman
0300-0305 News In Greek
0305-0400 The People Of The Week
0400-0415 Investing In Greece
0415-0430 Folklore Testimonies
0430-0500 The Songs Of Today
0500-0600 History Of One Week
0600-0605 News In Greek
0605-0615 Fellow-Countrymen Bulletin
0615-0645 Money And Investments Of Saturday
0645-0700 Ecological Pages
0700-0800 The Songs Of Company
0800-0900 Greece In The First Person
0900-1000 Connection With Second Program
1000-1100 Maintenance Break
1100-1400 Radio-Newspaper (Connection With NET 105.8)
1400-1900 Microphone At The Stadiums (Connection With ERA SPORT)
1900-1905 News In Greek
1905-2100 Live Line (Yannis Tzouanopoulos)
2100-2400 Connection With Second Program

UT SUNDAY PROGRAM
0000-0200 Connection With Second Program

0200-0500 Connection With NET 105.8
0500-0715 Divine Liturgy (Connection With NET 105.8)
0715-0745 True Word
0745-0800 I Know Sea Songs
0800-0900 Where Land And Mother Country
0900-0905 News In Greek
0905-0935 The Third Bell
0935-1000 The Songs Of Today
1000-1100 Maintenance Break
1100-1200 Radio-Newspaper (Connection With NET 105.8)
1200-1230 Greek Flavors
1230-1245 On Ilines, On Bilines
1245-1300 I Know Sea Songs
1300-1305 News In Greek
1305-1400 Greek In Style (In English)
1400-1700 Microphone At The Stadiums (Connection With ERA SPORT)
1700-2300 Connection With ERA SPORT
2300-2305 News In Greek
2305-2400 Where Land And Mother Country
(Compiled by John Babbis, Silver Spring, MD, March 30, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

GREECE: VOICE OF GREECE (11645 kHz) SW
A-10 RADIO FILIA (665 [sic] kHz) AM
FOREIGN LANGUAGE BROADCASTS (0500-1000 UT)
(Effective March 28 to October 31, 2010)

UT MONDAY THRU FRIDAY
0500-0600 BBC English Program
0600-0700 RFI French Program
0700-0800 Spanish Program
0800-0830 German Program*
0830-0900 Russian Program*
0900-1000 Greek Program*
*Not on Tuesday.

UT SATURDAY AND SUNDAY
0500-0530 French Program
0530-0600 Spanish Program
0600-0630 German Program
0630-0700 Russian Program
0700-1000 Greek Programs (Compiled by John Babbis, Silver Spring, MD, March 31, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** GREENLAND. 3815, 2115-2213* 27.03, KNR, Tasiilaq (USB) Greenlandic/ Danish talk and news 32433 (Anker Petersen, on my AOR AR7030PLUS with 28 metres of longwire here in Skovlunde, Denmark, via Dario Monferini, 1 April, playdx yg via DXLD)

3815, 2115-2140 01.04, KNR, Tasiilaq (USB) Greenlandic pop songs, ann, news and reports 15222. It seems like Greenland had not yet shifted to DST (Anker Petersen, in Skovlunde, Denmark, on my AOR AR7030PLUS with 28 metres of longwire, via Dario Monferini, playdx yg via DXLD)

** GUAHAN. GUAM [sic]. 15425, KTWR accompanied by heavy BUZZ like 60 Hertz, in Korean at 1400-1515 UT, S=9+10dB, Apr 2nd (Wolfgang B¸schel, Stuttgart, Germany, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Why is everyone but me so reluctant to adopt the new name GUAHAN, as explained a few weeks ago?

Did not find any stories more recent than these at http://www.pacificnewscenter.com which includes K57, the webcasting station carrying Jim Bohannon and listed on our Monitoring Reminders Calendar; or did --- damned if I can find a program schedule any more (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Viz.:

MCNINCH POLL SAYS PEOPLE FAVOR GUAM OVER GUAHAN
Written by Clynt Ridgell Thursday, 11 March 2010 18:03 - Guam News

Guam - While there has been much debate over the governor's plan to change the name of Guam to Guahan Dr. Ron Mcninch has actually completed a poll on the matter.

Meanwhile, the legislature will hold a public hearing on the bill submitted by the governor to change the island's name tommorow. Marjorie Driver of the Micronesian Area Research Center`s Spanish collection believes that Guahan may not even be the original name of the island. In her research she has found the oldest known map of the Marianas in which Guam was labeled as Baham. Meanwhile UOG professor Ron Mcninch has conducted a poll of his own in which he asks whether people prefer Guam or Guahan. 71% actually prefer the name Guam with 21% choosing Guahan and 8% remaining undecided.

SENATORS HEAR TESTIMONY ON GUAHAN NAME CHANGE
Last Updated on Tuesday, 16 March 2010 07:10
Written by Clynt Ridgell Friday, 12 March 2010 16:56 Guam - Guam News

Guam - People from all walks of life filled the legislatures public hearing room this afternoon to testify on bill 331 the proposed law was submitted by Governor Felix Camacho in attempts to officially change the name of Guam to Guahan.

Bill 331 would officially change the name of Guam to Guahan. The legislation argues that Guahan is the original indigenous name for the island of Guam. It is supposed to be derived from the word Guaha

meaning to have. The "n" on the end of Guahan is supposed to denote "the possesion of". Put together it is supposed to mean "a place of resources". The bill notes that the "n" on the end of Guahan is similar to the "n's" on the end of other islands in the marianas chain including Saipan, Tininian, Agrigan, Agrihan, Pagan, Aalamagan, Sarigan and Guaguan.

Ronald Laguana spoke today in favor of the bill saying that many have studied the history of Guam and the origin of the name Guahan. It's his belief that Guahan is the most probable original indidgenous name of Guam. He also asked why there was so much opposition to the name change when other islands within the Micronesia have already changed their names with little problem. He adds that Guahan is the correct word for Guam.

Jesse Quinata testified in oposition to the name change because he felt it would be too much of a financial burden and because he believed that Guam's name may not even be Guahan. Quinata referred to a book written by the Micronesian Area Research Center's Marjorie Driver in which she recorded all the various names recorded for Guam in its history. These names include the name Baham, Guam, Guahan, and even Iguana. Quinata said "all these names that we're talking about were all written by outsiders". He adds that there is no proof that any of these names were the names used by native chamorros.

While the senators heard testimony today, it is possible that this could all be left up to a referendum. If that were so, UOG professor Ron Mcninch has also completed a poll on the matter in which he found that 71% of the people polled prefered the name Guam (via gh, DXLD)

** GUAHAN. Frequency change of AWR KSDA Agat, Guam in Mongolian: 1030-1100 NF 15320 SDA 100 kW / 315 deg to CeAs, ex 15120 (DX Mix News, Bulgaria, 05 April via DXLD)

** GUINEA. GUINEA-Conakry, 7125 R. GuinÈe still silent (Carlos GonÁalves, PORTUGAL, March 29, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** HAITI. Did I miss something? I heard last night with good signal Radio 4VEH in Creole on 590 kHz (The ID came at 0328 UT). Is it a temporary relay for 4VEH? (Sylvain Naud, Portneuf, QC, Canada, April 4, MWDX yg via WORLD OF RADIO 1507, DXLD)

WRTH 2010 listed an inactive station in P-a-P on 590: 1 kW Radio Ti Moun. 4VEH in Cap-HaÔtien is of course on 840 (gh, WORLD OF RADIO 1507, DXLD)

** HUNGARY. 3975, *0400-0410 02.04, Magyar R, J·szberÈny Hungarian ID: "Itt Budapest", talks in the programme "Szueloefoelduenk" (Mother Land

and Father Land) 55555 (Anker Petersen, in Skovlunde, Denmark, on my AOR AR7030PLUS with 28 metres of longwire, via Dario Monferini, playdx yg via DXLD)

** HUNGARY [and non]. Summer A-10 schedule of Hungarian Radio in Hungarian
0100-0200 6150 JBR 250 kW / 306 deg NoAm till June 30
0100-0200 6150 WER 250 kW / 300 deg NoAm from July 1 via MBR(ex DTK)
0400-0500 3975 JBR 250 kW / non-dir WeEu till June 30
0400-0500 3975 WER 250 kW / non-dir WeEu from July 1 via MBR(ex DTK)
1000-1100 6025 JBR 100 kW / non-dir WeEu till June 30
1000-1100 6025 WER 100 kW / non-dir WeEu from July 1 via MBR(ex DTK)
1600-1700 6140 JBR 100 kW / non-dir WeEu till June 30
1700-1800 6140 WER 100 kW / non-dir WeEu from July 1 via MBR(ex DTK)
2100-2200 3975 JBR 250 kW / non-dir WeEu till June 30
2200-2300 3975 WER 250 kW / non-dir WeEu from July 1 via MBR(ex DTK)
(DX Mix News, Bulgaria, 05 April via DXLD)

** INDIA. The AIR Gorakhpur transmitter on 3945 kHz is still noted drifting down from their 3945 khz frequency for the night broadcast at 1330-1735 UTC in Nepali and Urdu

Monitoring observations of 5 Apr 2010:
At 1409 noted on 3921.78 kHz
At 1503 noted on 3920.6 kHz

Monitoring observations of 6 Apr 2010:
At 1337 noted on 3945.1 kHz
At 1503 noted on 3942.3 kHz.

73 (Jose Jacob, VU2JOS, National Institute of Amateur Radio, Raj Bhavan Road, Hyderabad 500082, India, dx_india yg via DXLD)

** INDIA. Radio Ga Ga --- Source: IMPHAL FREE PRESS Posted: 2010-05-07

One and half decades after the establishment of an All India Radio, AIR, station in Churachandpur, radio service is still not launched from this centre not for any technical non-feasibility, but because the major communities residing in the district, in particular Thadou Kuki, Paite, and Hmar are not able to come to a consensus as to which of their languages should be the base medium. There are also many other minor dialects spoken by smaller tribes in the district, but it is as if it were legitimate to assume that they should have no say in the matter ñ we suppose in the spirit of what has come to be widely internalised as ìdemocracyî in much of the world. --- Full report at : http://www.kanglaonline.com/index.php?template=headline&newsid=2361&typeid=0
(via Alokesh Gupta, New Delhi, dx_india yg via DXLD)

** INDIA. India - PM speech to the nation ñ April 1 at 7:30 PM IST

Hi Glenn, All of the AIR stations will have coverage of Prime Minister Manmohan Singhís important address to the nation on Thursday (April 1) at 7:30 PM IST (1400 UT). His speech will deal with education and will coincide with the launch of the education-for-all plan under the Right to Education Act.

This will be a good opportunity to hear AIR Kohima, which has an irregular broadcasting schedule, on 4850 kHz (Ron Howard, Asilomar Beach, CA, March 31, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Prime Minister's address to the nation was at 0730 IST (0200 UTC), will be repeated at 2030 IST (1500 UTC). Regards (Alokesh Gupta, New Delhi, dx_india, ibid.)

Hi Alokesh, Sorry for the confusion on my part regarding the time of the speech! Thank you for the clarification! (Ron Howard, Asilomar Beach, California, USA, ibid.)

** INDIA. AIR Delhi noted today 2 Apr 2010 on 4866 instead of 4860 with very rough carrier from tune in around 0030. 73 (Jose Jacob, VU2JOS, National Institute of Amateur Radio, Raj Bhavan Road, Hyderabad 500082, India, dx_india yg via DXLD)

** INDIA. Grayline conditions on 60 meters were much improved April 4 well after local sunrise 1213 UT here, only problem being our high local noise level. First noticed on 5010 with news in English at 1232-1235, some of it about India, 1235 into another language, i.e., from AIR Thiruvananthapuram, tho Aoki does not mention this English segment, just 1530-1545.

Several other intriguing carriers, some with audio, such as 4760, 4800, but the only other signal comparable to 5010 was 4920, at 1238 M&W discussion in S Asian language, and that carrier still audible at 1328, i.e. AIR Chennai (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** INDIA. All India Radio Thiruvananthapuram celebrates 60 years of broadcasting --- SIXTY YEARS OF LISTENING PLEASURE
Express News Service, First Published : 01 Apr 2010 02:24:00 AM IST

THIRUVANANTHAPURAM: For All India Radio, Thiruvananthapuram station, April 1, 2010, marks 60 years of broadcasting. The station has rolled out a bunch of special programmes in connection with its 60th anniversary.

From April 18 to 28, the Swathi Thirunal Music Festival will be held at Theerthapadamandapam and Levi Hall. Swathi Vandanam - a Swathi

Thirunal Aradhana featuring veteran and established musicians - will be held in connection with the music festival.

On April 23, 24 and 25, a Farm Fest in connection with the anniversary of 'Vayalum Veedum' will be held at Cheriyanadu, the first litigation-free panchayat in the country. Scientists, farmers, economists and other prominent figures will attend the fair, which will also see the presence of Kerala Governor, Central and State Ministers, Prasar Bharati CEO and Akashavani Director General, among others. The proclamation march of the fest will conclude at the panchayat on April 7 in the presence of Forest Minister Binoy Viswam.

The station will also be holding a state-level reality show - Prabhavalayam - featuring the winners of State Youth Festival competitions in 'Mappilapattu' and 'Kathaprasangam' at Cherumoodu, Kollam, on May 1 and 2. A Kathakali festival, with the support of Kerala Kalamandalam, will also be held.

The station will soon air 'Malayalam cinema flashback', a series which can be dubbed as an audio encyclopaedia on Malayalam cinema. This will cover history, milestones and live telecasts from the birth place of veterans like J.C. Daniel, Thikkurissi, Muthukulam, Devarajan, etc., and televoting.

The station is already broadcasting a bunch of programmes in connection with its 60th anniversary and they include 'Radio Gramarangam', 'Kalam Sakshi', 'Ormmayile Vaartha', 'Vasantha Bimbangal', 'Mozhiyam Oru Katha' and 'Ormmayude Cheppu'.
http://tinyurl.com/y8syr7v
(via Alokesh Gupta, New Delhi, dx_india yg via DXLD)

** INDIA. AIR in Sindhi to Pakistan noted on 9635 the last two nights with poor signal at s/on 0100; it's 500 kW / 320 degrees from Bangaluru per Aoki B09 listings (Joe Hanlon, NJ, March 30, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** INDIA. 11985, AIR via Bangaluru, 0232, 3/29/10. Program in listed Kannada language. Per Google, "Kannada is a Dravidian language spoken primarily in Karnataka State in South India." Pop music reached S5 on peaks (Jerry Strawman, Des Moines, IA, Drake R8B, Wellbrook 330S Loop, Par SWL Random Wire, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** INDONESIA. 3344.97, RRI Ternate, 1237-1304 Apr 4. Vocal music hosted by YL to 1302, then chat in Bahasa Indonesia. Surprisingly good signal.

3995.03, RRI Kendari, 1258-1315+ Apr 4. SCI in progress at 1258 tune-in; Jak berita program commenced at 1259:35, beginning with time check

for 20.00 Waktu Indonesia Barat; back to local programming at 1307 (sub-continental mx). Good signal, peaking over S-9 on the meter.

4749.95, RRI Makassar, 1331-1342 Apr 4. M taking many phone calls; finally some music at 1340. Good signal, as usual.

4869.93, RRI Wamena, 1336-1345* Apr 4. Soft vocal music; carrier left air at 1345. Weak, as usual, so could not make out much, even today, a very good Indo morning (John Wilkins, Wheat Ridge, Colorado, Drake R-8, 100-foot random wire, Cumbredx mailing list via DXLD)

[and non]. 4750, not much making it on 60 meters as late as 1310 April 3 except this heavy collision between RRI Makassar and CNR which is listed as 50 kW due west from Xining, CHINA.

4750, RRI Makassar, good signal in Indonesian well atop the co-channel from China and/or Bangladesh, April 4 at 1237 and still audible an hour later.

Among a number of 60m signals, there was music a shade below 4870 at 1238 and 1245, which fits only for RRI Wamena, as measured by others, and on 4870 in Aoki but hard to believe the listing of only 300 watts. This station is completely missing from WRTH 2010. Ishida confirms it has been active in late March, but doesn`t split the frequencies nor speculate on power (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST) see above

4925.03, 2315-2330 fade out 31.03, RRI Jambi, Bahasa Indonesia talks with a jingle, 2325 orchestral music, announcement and IS, 23333, Heterodyne from Brazil (Anker Petersen, on my AOR AR7030PLUS with 28 metres of longwire here in Skovlunde, Denmark, via Dario Monferini, 1 April, playdx yg via DXLD)

** INDONESIA. 9525.90, Voice of Indonesia, 1041-1050 April 2. At tune in, noted music, which was not typical Indonesian type. Between tunes, noted a female in Indonesian(?) language comments. According to the latest AOKI database, English is scheduled during this time period. However, noted that ID's given between tunes was in English. Maybe they didn't have an English speaking announcer for live comments? Anyway, the signal was good this morning (Chuck Bolland, WinRadio G305e/pd, Watkins Johnson HF1000, JRC'S NRD-545, ALL HOOKED UP TO THE SAME DIPOLE ANTENNA VIA A SWITCH, 26.27N 081.05W, Clewiston FL, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hi Glenn, Did you happen to catch VOI today? Wish they could have reception like this every day (even with the hum), especially Tuesday. Then we could better enjoy their programming. Attached audio plays for one minute and six seconds. Note their slogan: "Keeping Dignity Alive" (01:02). Best regards, (Ron Howard, Asilomar Beach, CA, April 2, DX

LISTENING DIGEST)

Hi Ron, Tnx, yes I did hear the Today in History segment today, better than usual, and the slogan, altho I was not sure the middle word was dignity, which your clip confirms. 73, (Glenn to Ron, ibid.)

9525.88, Voice of Indonesia, 1046-1054 April 4, 2010. Indo vocal followed by very young-sounding accented female announcer in English, back to Indo pop vocals. Slightly drifty, but excellent modulation until 1053 when abruptly off. Back up at 1054 with weak modulation! [transmitter swap? -- gh]

9680.05, RRI, 1042-1101 April 4, 2010. Male canned ID, "Err-Err-Eee, Jakarta" 1044, Indo pop vocals, possoble commercials, female jock. Excellent (Terry L Krueger, Clearwater, Florida, USA. 27.55.83 N, 82.46.08 W, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9525.88, VOI, 1340, 4/4/10. Usual mix of English commentary and music; better than usual signal with clean audio (Jerry Strawman, Des Moines, IA, Drake R8B, Wellbrook 330S Loop, Par SWL Random Wire, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9526-, VOI is achieving some decent modulation at the moment, so enjoy it while it last during English hour at 1300, which also lux out with nothing on 9525 to het it, nor even anything significant on 9520 or 9530.

April 4 at 1312 after news, report on an eye hospital; 1318 Today in History about NATO (pronounced natto), independence of Senegal and Bhutto hanged in Pakistan. 1323 a talk about police corruption in Indonesia; then Indonesian Wonders accompanied by gamelan music; 1332 Miscellany, about Indonesia being named to a high-level UN group of 19 countries in UK dealing with climate change. After 1400, VOI gone, ceding channel to CRI Russian 9525, but the day before they were hetclashing (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9526, 2029 April 5 with talks in English. Mentions of a woman with two children, Karamanlis(????), Bosnia. Best reception to +1 kHz for a 324x2 result (Zacharias Liangas, Thessaloniki, Greece, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** INTERNATIONAL WATERS. Offshore Pirate Radio Special - Sunday 18 April --- Hot news from the Altlantic Oldies website...

http://www.atlanticoldies.com/

TEATIME SPECIAL OFFSHORE PIRATE SPECIAL

Starting Sunday April 18th, Atlantic Oldies 2NG is proud to present a special show by Bill Rollins. The special Teatime Special will take a look back at the Offshore Pirate Radio ships that broke the BBC's monopoly and finally gave the U.K. something that American listeners had been so used to for a long time. TOP 40 radio. Suddenly slick sounding Top 40 radio with American sung jingles eminated from ships and old war-time forts outside International Waters.

Bill started his radio career on a short-lived station "Tower Radio" and so presents an excellent two hours of a look back at this era with plenty of great Sixties music to keep you entertained for the two hours.

He goes right back to 1930 with Radio Normandie explaining how and why commercial radio came to the U.K. Before you know you'll be setting sail as Radio Caroline broke the mold on Easter Sunday 1964.

This is a fascinating show and can be heard at the following times
ïSunday 18th April at 12 pm EDT (1600 GMT, 1700 BST)
ïTuesday 20th September [sic] at 12 pm EDT (1600 GMT, 1700 BST)
ïThursday 22nd September [sic] at 8 pm EDT (0000 GMT, 0100 BST)

Sit back and relax as it promises to be a phenomenal insight into how Top 40 radio finally came to the UK (via Gary Drew, dxldyg via DXLD)

** IRAQ. FIRST CHRISTIAN RADIO OPENS IN IRAQ'S BASRA | Text of report by Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty website on 6 April

Basra: People in the southern Iraqi city of Basra are now able to listen to the province's first Christian radio station, RFE/RL's Radio Free Iraq (RFI) reports.

The Voice of the New Testament broadcasts mostly religious hymns and Bible readings from the station's office in Basra's National Evangelical Church.

Saad Matti Petros, the head of the Minorities Committee on the city council, told RFI that the radio station will promote the values of tolerance and peaceful coexistence in society. Petros, who is a Christian, said the opening of the radio is "a historic event" as it is the first time Basra has had a Christian radio station.

Petros insisted that the radio does not have any missionary purposes. He said the director of the radio station, Father Maher, has also signed a written statement that the broadcasts will not offend the followers of other religions.

The deputy head of the Basra city council, Shaykh Ahmad al-Sulayti,

welcomed the opening of the radio station.

"We consider this a big achievement in the new Iraq," he said. "It proves there is an opening to all the other cultures [in the country]. It also reflects that other cultures have the freedom to express themselves... We are blessing this good step."

He added that the city council gave immediate permission for the radio station. The new Christian radio station will be heard in most of Basra Province. It has not yet broadcasted any news but is expected to do so in the future. Source: Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty website, Washington, D.C., in English 6 Apr 10 (via BBCM via DXLD) WTFK??

** ISRAEL [and non]. 13850, Kol Israel in Persian heard with fair sidelobe signal. Unjammed from IS before 1400 UT till 1407:50 UT, when a poor Iranian army jammer started with tiny bubbling. Latter on odd 13849.95..94 kHz, means 50-60 Hertz buzz too (Wolfgang Bueschel, Germany, March 29, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews April 2 via DXLD)

** ITALY [non]. Hi Glenn, I have received a follow-up e-mail from Ron Norton, NEXUS International Broadcasting Association (see DXLD 10-13, April 1, 2010) on 4 April 2010, regarding my reception report and request for a QSL card. After receiving his e-mail, I replied back, thanking him for taking the time to write and explaining the IRRS policy on responding to listenerís letters during these difficult economic times. I also noted that through many years of SWLíing, it has always been a pleasure to receive QSL cards or letters of verifications for reception reports (which reports are also becoming less valuable to SWBC stations). In closing, I asked if he would be so kind as to reply back to my e-mail. He obliged and said that a QSL card would be sent via mail for my initial reception report. 73ís, (Ed Insinger, Summit, NJ, April 5, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ITALY [non]. SLOVAKIA Updated A-10 of NEXUS-IBA IRRS Shortwave from Milan, Italy:
0300-0600 on 9740 RSO 150 kW / 148 deg EaAf/Sudan MIR Eng/Ara Daily
0800-0900 on 9515 RSO 150 kW / non-dir Eu/ME/NoAf JOY Eng/Ger 1st Sat
0800-0900 on 9515 RSO 150 kW / non-dir Eu/ME/NoAf WOR+DXPL+Mx 2nd Sat
0800-0900 on 9515 RSO 150 kW / non-dir Eu/ME/NoAf CIT English 3rd Sat
0800-0900 on 9515 RSO 150 kW / non-dir Eu/ME/NoAf RAS English 4th Sat
0930-1200 on 9515 RSO 150 kW / non-dir Eu/ME/NoAf EGR English Sun
1400-1700 on 15710 RSO 150 kW / 148 deg EaAf/Sudan MIR Eng/Ara Daily
1800-1900 on 7290 RSO 150 kW / non-dir Eu/ME/NoAf EGR English Mon-Thu
1800-2000 on 7290 RSO 150 kW / non-dir Eu/ME/NoAf EGR English Fri/Sun
1800-1900 on 7290 RSO 150 kW / non-dir Eu/ME/NoAf WOR+Mx+DXPL Sat
1900-2000 on 7290 RSO 150 kW / non-dir Eu/ME/NoAf EGR English Sat
CIT=Radio City
DXPL=DX Party Line

EGR=European Gospel Radio
JOY=Radio Joystick
MIR=Miraya 101 FM Radio,Sudan
RAS=Radio Rasant
WOR=World of Radio
(DX Mix News, Bulgaria, April 7 via DXLD)

** JAPAN. Dear DXers, while reading posts from Keith and Glenn about music programs of R Japan in Japanese, I've decided to attach a recording of it. It is a recording of Radio Japan's Japanese music program, from Wednesday March 24, 2010 1705-1800z on 7225 kHz via YAMata, 300 kW, 240 degrees, as received via GlobalTuners in Hong Kong. Listen and enjoy! I managed to find a Radio Japan PROGRAM SCHEDULE for Japanese broadcasts:

http://www.nhk.or.jp/nhkworld/japanese/radio/shortwave/program_radio_j.pdf

You could see, these music programs are on air on every weekday! PLEASE, COULD SOMEONE WHO SPEAKS JAPANESE TRANSLATE the titles of music programs and give us airing times from the mentioned schedule? I think we ALL will be thankful. Best regards, (Dragan Lekic from Serbia, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

I love this show. I sometimes listen in bed before falling asleep. I had asked someone about this program when I was Tokyo. She told me this program also airs on one of the domestic channels of NHK (Keith Perron, Taiwan, ibid.)

Dear Dragan, This program is relay of midnight service "Radio Shinya-bin" of Domestic service on NHK -1 and NHK-FM at 1420 to 2000 UT. 1705-1800 "Romantic concert" and 1805-1900 "Nipon no Uta Kokoro no Uta - song of the Japanese, song of heart". The "Romantic concert" on Mar. 31 is a special feature of Simon and Garfunkel (S. Hasegawa, Japan, NDXC, ibid.)

** JAPAN [non]. Correxion: My earlier report was really R. Japan in Spanish via Bonaire: ``6080, new frequency for RN 0500 in Spanish via Bonaire, March 28 until 0530* with mailbag in last few minutes. Very big signal at 290 degrees for Mexico and Caribbean, Until uncovered at 0530, totally blocking VOA English via S„o TomÈ from 0500 to 0700`` (Glenn Hauser, April 2, DX LISTENING DIGEST) see also NETH ANTILLES

** JAPAN [non]. NHKWNRJ via CANADA, 6120, Sunday April 4 at 1228 reveals that World Interactive still exists and is still on Sundays in the new fiscal year, as she was upwrapping, cut off transmission at 1229*. As Joe Hanlon points out, NHK is now running a full 30 minutes, so the operators need to prolong the relays one more minute. Signal only fair here, over full-daylight path, and will only get worse into

summer. Meanwhile NHK Radio Japan deprives us of the former loud and clear repeat at 1400 via Sackville on 11705. Checking that, not even audible on remaining transmitter direct from Yamata (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

On NHK, at this locale I could try for 21560 at 1400 via France, if there is any other hope of hearing them with the Canada relay gone, but I think that will be difficult as summer approaches -- unless the MUF and rising solar flux cooperates. Have not yet tried for 11705 direct, tho last summer I could hear them at 1315 s-on in Indonesian which was only fair. I also hope to see what could be audible at 1000 on new 9840 for HI/SAm, and maybe the new Uzbek relay on 11860 (Joe Hanlon, NJ, April 6, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KASHMIR [non]. 4870, AIR, via Delhi. Monitored changes for A-2010: Home Service at 0230-0330 1430-1530 (ex 6100) and on 6100 0730-0830 (ex 9890). (Jose Jacob, India, DSWCI DX Window March 31 via DXLD) I suppose you indicate, that this is R Voice of Kashmir (DSWCI Ed. Anker Petersen, ibid.)

** KAZAKHSTAN [non]. 9445, Instead of RL in Kazakh, on 07/3 Sun at 1335-1400 a program in Russian was with ID in Russian "Gavarit Azatluk Radio" / Speaking Azatluk Radio. So they have a Russian program Sundays only (Rumen Pankov, Sofia, Bulgaria (Sony ICF-2001, 16m Marconi, April Australian DX News via DXLD)

** KOREA NORTH [and non]. BURIED ALIVE ON 9335 --- The daily DPRK broadcasts on 9335, 1300 + 1400, are getting hammered by an unID Asian station. Difficult to tell language because of the huge collision. Anyone know if this is the Burmese service from Radio Free Asia? DXer Frank Mezek, on the other side of town, tells me the unID fades out and is gone between 1400-1430. 73 and Good Listening.....! (Rick Barton, Phoenix and Sun City, Arizona, March 30, ABDX via DXLD)

Yes, via TINIAN as I have reported elsewhere (gh, DXLD)

** KOREA NORTH. Re 10-13: ``Someone was wondering if VOK was off the air. Maybe at some time, but usual sufficient signals on 15180 to North America, March 30 at 0115 check in English, 0230 in Spanish, 0330 in French (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)``

Hi Glenn, The question was brought up by Robin Harwood (Tasmania), who noted the absence of some of the usual VOK foreign language broadcasts. Indeed there have been some changes in their schedule. Some (probably not all) were noted March 31:
6185, at 1225 + 1309 found to be off-the-air.
7140, at 1226 found to be off-the-air. Could only hear R. Rossii //
7200, both via the transmitter site outside of Yakutsk.

7580, at 1227 found to be off-the-air.

Thanks Robin for calling this to our attention. Did hear the following:
3250, at 1222 in Japanese; 1309 in Korean.
3560, at 1223 in Korean; 1309 in English.
4405, at 1224 in Japanese; 1310 in Korean.
6070, at 1224 in Japanese.
9335, at 1311 in English.
15180, at 0300 heard IS, Anthem and into program in French (Ron Howard, Asilomar Beach, CA, March 31, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15180, at 0036 April 5, VOK in Spanish, with a roar on the transmitter; last time heard a few days ago, modulation had been OK (Glenn Hauser, MPDX, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KOREA NORTH. 7200 (ex: 7140), VOK, 1238, April 1. I found where they went, right on top of R. Rossii! VOK had a much stronger signal; // 3560 (Ron Howard, Asilomar Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1507, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Ron, I found it at the same time:) R. Rossii was and is still on 7140. Also found VOK in English on 15245 at 2155. It wasn't strong at all and wish I could have copied the frequencies and times. Most seem to be on 41 meters and probably wiped out anyway by others (Robin Harwood, Tasmania, ibid.)

Hello fellows! VOICE OF KOREA, Pyongyang, DPR Korea (North), has introduced its A10 Summer Schedule on Sunday, 28 March 2009, 07:00 UTC. Changes were made to the following transmissions:

Northeast China (00 Ch, 01 E, 02 Ch, 03 E, 07 Kor. [PBS], 08 Ch. 09 Kor. [KCBS], 10 Kor. [PBS], 11 Ch. 12 Kor. [PBS] 7200 ex7140)
South Africa (18 F, 19 E, 20 Kor. [KCBS] 7210 ex7100)
Northeast China (21 Ch, 22 Ch, 23 Kor. [KCBS] 7235 ex7180)
[WORLD OF RADIO 1507]

Following the complete schedules sorted by either languages or time. Please feel free to publish the schedules by quoting me as the source of information. I will also send to you, upon request, the word documents sorted by either time (+ feeder or beam info) or languages. Please feel free to contact me.

Voice of Korea are also anxious to receive letters and reception reports on their programmes. Please address all mail to:

VOICE OF KOREA
PYONGYANG

DEMOCRATIC PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF KOREA (North Korea)

'73s & happy listening, OM Arnulf Piontek, Berlin, Germany

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Transmission Schedule of the VOICE OF KOREA, Pyongyang, DPR Korea
effective Sunday, 28 March Juche 99 (2010)
last modified: 28 March Juche 99 (2010), Version: 1

Arabic
1500 9990 11545 Near & Middle East; North Africa
1700 9990 11545 Near & Middle East; North Africa

Chinese
0000 13650 15100 Southeast Asia
0200 7200 9345 9730 Northeast China
0300 13650 15100 Southeast Asia
0800 7200 9345 Northeast China
1100 7200 9345 Northeast China
1300 11735 13650 Southeast Asia
2100 7235 9345 Northeast China
2100 9975 11535 China
2200 7235 9345 Northeast China
2200 9975 11535 China

German
1600 9325 12015 Europe
1800 9325 12015 Europe
1900 9325 12015 Europe

English
0100 7200 9345 9730 Northeast Asia
0100 11735 13760 15180 Central & South America
0200 13650 15100 Southeast Asia
0300 7200 9345 9730 Northeast Asia
1000 11710 15180 Central & South America
1000 11735 13650 Southeast Asia
1300 13760 15245 Western Europe
1300 9335 11710 North America
1500 13760 15245 Western Europe
1500 9335 11710 North America
1600 9990 11545 Near & Middle East; North Africa
1800 13760 15245 Western Europe
1900 7210 11910 South Africa
1900 9975 11535 Near & Middle East; North Africa
2100 13760 15245 Western Europe

French
0100 13650 15100 Southeast Asia
0300 11735 13760 15180 Central & South America
1100 11710 15180 Central & South America
1100 11735 13650 Southeast Asia
1400 13760 15245 Western Europe
1400 9335 11710 North America
1600 13760 15245 Western Europe
1600 9335 11710 North America
1800 7210 11910 South Africa
1800 9975 11535 Near & Middle East; North Africa
2000 13760 15245 Western Europe

Japanese
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0900 (KCBS) 7200 9345 Northeast China
0900 (PBS) 13760 15245 Europe
0900 (PBS) 9975 11735 Far Eastern Russia
1000 (PBS) 7200 9345 Northeast China
1200 (KCBS) 11710 15180 Central & South America
1200 (KCBS) 11735 13650 Southeast Asia
1200 (PBS) 7200 9345 Northeast China
1300 (PBS) 9325 12015 Europe
1400 (KCBS) 11735 13650 Southeast Asia
1700 (KCBS) 13760 15245 Western Europe
1700 (KCBS) 9335 11710 North America
2000 (KCBS) 7210 11910 South Africa
2000 (KCBS) 9325 12015 Europe
2000 (KCBS) 9975 11535 Near & Middle East; North Africa
2300 (KCBS) 7235 9345 Northeast China
2300 (KCBS) 13760 15245 Western Europe
2300 (KCBS) 9975 11535 China

Russian
0700 13760 15245 Europe
0700 9975 11735 Far Eastern Russia

0800 13760 15245 Europe
0800 9975 11735 Far Eastern Russia
1400 9325 12015 Europe
1500 9325 12015 Europe
1700 9325 12015 Europe

Spanish
0000 11735 13760 15180 Central & South America
0200 11735 13760 15180 Central & South America
1900 13760 15245 Western Europe
2200 13760 15245 Western Europe

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Transmission Schedule of the VOICE OF KOREA, Pyongyang, DPR Korea,
incl. feeder frequencies, effective Sunday, 28 March Juche 99 (2010)
last modified: 28 March Juche 98 (2010), Version: 1

0000 Chinese 13650 15100 3560 SEAs
0000 Korean (PBS) 7200 9345 9730 4405 NECHN
0000 Spanish 11735 13760 15180 CAm, SAm
0100 English 7200 9345 9730 4405 NEAs
0100 English 11735 13760 15180 CAm, SAm
0100 French 13650 15100 3560 SEAs
0200 Chinese 7200 9345 9730 4405 NECHN
0200 English 13650 15100 3560 SEAs
0200 Spanish 11735 13760 15180 CAm, SAm
0300 Chinese 13650 15100 3560 SEAs
0300 English 7200 9345 9730 4405 NEAs
0300 French 11735 13760 15180 CAm, SAm

0700 Japanese 621 3250 9650 11865 4405 J
0700 Korean (PBS) 7200 9345 3560 NECHN
0700 Russian 9975 11735 FE
0700 Russian 13760 15245 Eu
0800 Chinese 7200 9345 3560 NECHN
0800 Japanese 621 3250 9650 11865 4405 J
0800 Russian 9975 11735 FE
0800 Russian 13760 15245 Eu
0900 Japanese 621 3250 6070 9650 11865 4405 J
0900 Korean (KCBS) 7200 9345 3560 NECHN
0900 Korean (PBS) 9975 11735 FE
0900 Korean (PBS) 13760 15245 Eu
1000 English 11710 15180 CAm, SAm
1000 English 11735 13650 SEAs
1000 Japanese 621 3250 6070 9650 11865 4405 J
1000 Korean (PBS) 7200 9345 3560 NECHN
1100 Chinese 7200 9345 3560 CHN

1100 French 11710 15180 CAm, SAm
1100 French 11735 13650 SEAs
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1200 Korean (KCBS) 11710 15180 CAm, SAm
1200 Korean (KCBS) 11735 13650 SEAs
1200 Korean (PBS) 7200 9345 3560 NECHN
1300 Chinese 11735 13650 SEAs
1300 English 9335 11710 NAm
1300 English 13760 15245 3560 WEu
1300 Korean (PBS) 9325 12015 4405 Eu
1400 French 9335 11710 NAm
1400 French 13760 15245 3560 WEu
1400 Korean (KCBS) 11735 13650 SEAs
1400 Russian 9325 12015 4405 Eu
1500 Arabic 9990 11545 ME, NAf
1500 English 9335 11710 NAm
1500 English 13760 15245 3560 WEu
1500 Russian 9325 12015 4405 Eu
1600 German 9325 12015 4405 WEu
1600 English 9990 11545 ME, NAf
1600 French 9335 11710 NAm
1600 French 13760 15245 3560 WEu
1700 Arabic 9990 11545 ME, NAf
1700 Korean (KCBS) 9335 11710 NAm
1700 Korean (KCBS) 13760 15245 3560 WEu
1700 Russian 9325 12015 4405 Eu
1800 German 9325 12015 4405 WEu
1800 English 13760 15245 3560 WEu
1800 French 7210 11910 SAf
1800 French 9975 11535 ME, NAf
1900 German 9325 12015 4405 WEu
1900 English 7210 11910 SAf
1900 English 9975 11535 ME, NAf
1900 Spanish 13760 15245 3560 WEu
2000 French 13760 15245 3560 WEu
2000 Korean (KCBS) 7210 11910 SAf
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2000 Korean (KCBS) 9975 11535 ME, NAf
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2100 Chinese 9975 11535 CHN
2100 English 13760 15245 3560 WEu
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2300 Korean (KCBS) 9975 11535 CHN
2300 Korean (KCBS) 13760 15245 3560 WEu

All times in UTC, all frequencies in kHz , subject to change at short notice. Programmes last 47 to 57 minutes*.* Data based on announcements and schedules of the Voice of Korea and own monitoring.

KCBS = Korean Central Broadcasting Station (Choson Jungang Pangsong)
PBS = Pyongyang Broadcasting Station (Pyongyang Pangsong)
Please feel free to publish this schedule by mentioning the source:
(Arnulf Piontek, Berlin, Germany, April 3, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KOREA NORTH. New recording of 97.8 Haeju (DPRK)

Got another good recording of 97.8 Pyongyang FM last night, the best yet (haven't really been many anyway).

This is hardly DX for me as Haeju is a local for me (a coastal city, kinda across from Incheon). The transmitter is really powerful. But I consider this always a good and really difficult catch for the following reasons:

97.8 is blocked with a silent frequency in Seoul. Seoul is 30 miles to my northwest, while Haeju is 110 miles in exactly the same direction. I'm receiving it by jumping over the local silent transmitter (which at times overtakes it in the recording as I try to evade it). The antenna (my MP3 player) has to be in the exact right spots to hear this. 1cm in either direction can take it out... and even then, conditions change and I have to move it again...

The recording has to be received on 97.9 because the 97.8 silent station in Seoul is too strong to overcome. So I'm essentially listening off-frequency.

Since there is just never any DX here and the dial is full, this is about the most DX I can get short of Japan last December. The blocking stations give me an adequate challenge to keep the DXing bug going in me! I *hate* being denied what I want and enjoy getting around things [like IBOC!] to get what I want, especially on the radio! :)

The recording is about 4 1/2 minutes, started just after the abrupt 7 pm sign-on in the middle of programming. Programming content is the usual...

97.8 Haeju DPRK heard off-frequency on 97.9 recorded on an MP3 player:
http://www.beaglebass.com/swimming_in_a_puddle/temporary/Pyongyang_FM_Haeju_040510.mp3

(Chris Kadlec, Icheon, Korea, 30 mi se of Seoul, 150 mi se of Pyongyang, April 6, WTFDA via DXLD)

** KOREA NORTH [non]. Wondering if Shiokaze will have made another frequency shift with the new season, so April 5 at 1415 I tried to hear it on 5915 or 5985 --- inconclusive, as only an extremely weak carrier on the former, nothing on the latter, despite some other weak Asian signals on band, and RA good on 5995. No doubt Ron Howard will notice if JSR QSYs (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hi Glenn, What happened? Were you really on 5915? At my QTH, I can hear CRI mixing with Myanma Radio at 1403 on 5915, but Shiokaze is still on 5910 with a good signal and no jamming heard on April 6 at 1402 (Ron Howard, Asilomar Beach, CA, ibid.)

Re my previous remark that Shiokaze could not be heard on 5915 at 1400: As Ron Howard reminds me, it`s not supposed to be on 5915, but 5910, where he was still hearing it as of April 6. Checking April 7 at 1403, all I could get here a bihour into the dayside was a trace of a carrier on 5910, not 5915 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KOREA SOUTH [non]. CANADA(non) [sic] Some changes of KBS World effective from April 7:
0200-0230 9560 SAC 250 kW / 277 deg NoAm Spanish/English, ex Spanish
0600-0700 6045 SAC 250 kW / 060 deg WeEu Spanish, ex 0600-0630 same
(DX Mix News, Bulgaria, April 7 via DXLD) see also CANADA

?? Spanish at 0600 has been an hour long for months, starting with B-09, I think. 0200-0230 in both Spanish and English does not make sense either. Until B-09 was half and half but an hour long. Own schedule:
http://world.kbs.co.kr/english/radio/schedule/time.htm
does not clarify this (gh, DXLD) Nor this:

** KOREA SOUTH [and non]. KBS World Radio A-10 schedule, English
0200-0300 SAM 9580
0800-0900 seAS 9570
1100-1130 EU (sa) 9760/DRM
1200-1300 NAM 9650 Sackville
1300-1400 seAS 9570 9770
1600-1700 EU 9515
1800-1900 EU 7275
2100-2130 EU 3955 Skelton
2300-2400 EU 1440 Luxembourg
(KBS Website via Alan Roe, Teddington, UK, March 28, dxldyg via DXLD)

KBS WORLD RADIO A10

Arabic
1900-2000 15365 (Rampisham) Middle East/Africa
1630-1700 WRN
2000-2040 WRN

Chinese
1130-1230 9770 Southeast Asia
1130-1230 6065 China
1300-1400 1170 (MW), 7275 Non Direction
2200-2300 7275 China
2300-2400 9805 Southeast Asia

English
0200-0300 9580 South America
0800-0900 9570 Southeast Asia
0830-0900 WRN
1100-1130 9760 (DRM) Europe Sat
1200-1300 9650 (Sackville) North America
1300-1400 9570, 9770 Southeast Asia
1600-1700 9515 Europe
1800-1900 7275 Europe
2100-2130 3955 (Skelton) Europe
2200-2230 WRN
2300-0000 1440 (Marnach) Europe

French
1900-2000 6145 (Skelton) Europe

German
2000-2100 3955 (Skelton) Europe

Indonesian
1200-1300 9570 Southeast Asia
1400-1500 9570 Southeast Asia
1900-2000 102.6 (FM) Jakarta
2200-2300 9805 Southeast Asia

Japanese
0100-0200 9580 Japan
0200-0300 11810 Japan
0800-0900 7275 Japan
0900-1000 6155 Japan
1000-1100 9805 Japan
1100-1300 1170 Japan MW

Korean
0300-0400 11810 South America
0700-0800 9870 (Skelton) Europe

0900-1100 9570 Southeast Asia
0900-1100 7275 Non Direction
0900-1000 15160 Middle East/Africa
1000-1100 1170 (MW) Non Direction
1200-1300 7275 Non Direction
1400-1500 9650 (Sackville) North America
1600-1800 7275 Europe
1600-1800 9705 Middle East/Africa
1700-1900 9515 Europe

Russian
1800-1900 15360 (Rampisham) Europe
2030-2100 738   (AM) Moscow

Spanish
0100-0200 11810 South America
0200-0230 9560 (Sackville) North America
0600-0700 6045 (Sackville) Europe
1100-1200 11795 (Sackville) South America

Vietnamese
1230-1300 9770 Southeast Asia
1430-1500 9640 Southeast Asia
(via Alokesh Gupta, New Delhi, India, ibid.)

** KUWAIT. Frequency change of Radio Kuwait in Arabic to NoAf:
0200-1100 NF 13650*KBD 300 kW / 286 deg >>>>> unregistered, ex maybe
17710? * co-channel 0200-0400 Voice of Korea English & Chinese and
0530-0630 IRIB Spanish (DX Mix News, Bulgaria, 05 April via DXLD)

** KYRGYZSTAN [non]. Additional unregistered frequency of R. Liberty
in Kyrgyz: 1200-1230 on 15265 UNID transmitter // 15140 BIB and 17730
IRA (DX Mix News, Bulgaria, 05 April via DXLD)

** KYRGYZSTAN. A dramatic day today in Kyrgyzstan. The government has
fallen and the president has fled after violent protests in which
opposition supporters stormed parliament and the state broadcasting
HQ. State radio and TV went off the air for a while, later returning
under opposition control.

DXLD readers will have noted a recent increase in tension in
Kyrgyzstan, with restrictions placed on relays of BBC and RFE/RL
broadcasts (Chris Greenway, UK, April 7, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO
1507, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

At 1942, April 7, the webcast of Radio KTR Bishkek is still working
but there is nothing being broadcast at all. Kyrgyz Radio is on 2300-
1900 so that explains the silent webcast. Still silence on the webcast

at 2304 (Harry Brooks, North East England, UK, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1507, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Now`s the time to try for Kyrgyzstan direct on 4010, 4050, 4795, from 0000 UT until the sun gets too high (Glenn Hauser, WORLD OF RADIO 1507, ibid.)

OPPOSITION TAKES OVER KYRGYZTAN STATE RADIO AND TV; RUSSIAN AND KAZAKH WEBSITES BLOCKED

"'We can confirm that the national TV and radio broadcasting corporation was captured by the opposition,' told RT an eyewitness, Bektur Iskender, editor-in-chief of http://www.kloop.kg

'Several people already told me thatÖsome human rights organizations and opposition have already started broadcasting live talk-shows on this TV channel and also at the LTR, which is the public broadcasting channel. But all the other channels are reportedly not broadcasting.'" RT (Russia Today), 7 April 2010.

"The situation in Kyrgyzstan has escalated as clashes between the opposition and the government have become fiercer. There are reports about injuries and arrests. ... Access to the Russian and Kazakh Internet sites has been blocked, and moreover, Moscow Echo radio and the Voice of Russia World Service radio have long been taken off the Kyrgyz air." Voice of Russia, 7 April 2010.

RFE/RL journalist interviewed by Al Jazeera English about situation in Kyrgyzstan. RFE/RL In the News, RFE/RL, 7 April 2010. See previous post about same subject. Posted: 07 Apr 2010 (Permalink http://kimelli.nfshost.com/index.php?id=8698 for further links, kimandrewelliott.com via DXLD)

PROTESTERS STORM STATE RADIO/TV HQ IN KYRGYZSTAN

Anti-government protesters stormed the offices of state TV and radio in the Kyrgyz capital, Bishkek, earlier today. Both the radio and television stations went off air briefly, but resumed broadcasting an hour or so later under government control. The Interior Minister is said to have been killed, and President Kurmanbek Bakiyev has declared a state of emergency. The unrest is largely the result of widespread dissatisfaction with the economic situation in the country. One third of the population live below the poverty line.

BBC Monitoring quotes the state-owned Kyrgyz news agency Kabar as reporting that broadcasts of the privately-owned Pyramid TV and radio company were suspended today since 1700 hours [1100 gmt]. All staff members left the building at about 1630 hours, except for a few

technical personnel. The latter have so far refrained from making comments (Source: BBC Monitoring and news agencies, April 7th, 2010 - 13:08 UTC by Andy Sennitt, Media Network blog via DXLD)

KYRGYZ NATIONAL TV STATION DAMAGED BY PROTESTORS

Opposition leaders have begun talks with the government, an unidentified TV presenter has said on Kyrgyz TV, which was seized by opposition protesters in the afternoon on 7 April. . .

http://blogs.rnw.nl/medianetwork/kyrgyz-national-tv-station-damaged-by-protestors
(Source: Kyrgyz Television 1, Bishkek, in Kyrgyz, Russian 1500 gmt 7 Apr 10 via BBC Monitoring)

See also earlier:
http://blogs.rnw.nl/medianetwork/independent-tv-channel-suspended-in-kyrgyzstan
(via gh, DXLD)

** LAOS. 4412.64v, Lao National Radio via Sam Neua, 1206-1231*, April 6. Finally caught this at above threshold level; // 6130; news in Laotian; Anthem and off, with 6130 continuing on; both poor. April 7 noted back to normal at below threshold level.

6130, LNR, 1402, April 7. Anthem (clock wrong again - should have been at ToH); into news in Laotian; 1417 into their usual Wednesday segment in French; fair (Ron Howard, Asilomar Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** LAOS [non]. 11785, WHRI with Hmong World Christian Radio, Saturday April 3 at 1313, but sermon instead of the rustic music we crave. WHRI signal is not at usual super-level, but instead suffering severe co-channel QRM from the VOA/ChiCom radio war, mainly CNR1 echo-jamming. It has really been foolish ever to schedule these on same frequency. At 1315 the HWCR audio builds up temporarily and I can tell it is very jumpy, badly edited or with computer problems; 1317 a bit of English included, ``the devil shall die``, but back to heavy collision at 1323, and finally at 1328 some Hmong hmusic fill, 1330 over to Call to Worship show in English (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** LITHUANIA. A-10 summer schedule of Sitkunai Relays:
0430-0459 6130? SIT 100 kW 079 deg EaEu NHK Radio Japan Tokyo.
0630-0728 9770 SIT 100 kW 259 deg WeEu IRIB Italian

antenna type 616 to zones 29,30. EHR(S)4/4/0.5 much better antenna gear than winter 75 mb 3960 kHz antenna of type 700.
1430-1528 9555 SIT 100 kW 079 deg EaEu IRIB Russian
1530-1600 9770 SIT 100 kW 079 deg EaEu HCJB Russian Sun
1600-1630 9770 SIT 100 kW 079 deg EaEu HCJB Chechen Sun

antenna type 146, curtain 2 x 2 , AHR(S)2/2/0.5
1630-1728 5940 SIT 100 kW 259 deg WeEu HCJB German
1730-1828 5940 SIT 100 kW 259 deg WeEu IRIB German
1830-1928 5940 SIT 100 kW 259 deg WeEu IRIB French
1930-2028 5940 SIT 100 kW 259 deg WeEu IRIB English
2030-2228 6055 SIT 100 kW 259 deg WeEu IRIB Spanish

0100-0158 9490 SIT 100 kW 079 deg EaAs Radio Free Asia Uighur
0300-0358 9635 SIT 100 kW 079 deg CeAs Radio Liberty Tatar Bashkir
0500-0558 9635 SIT 100 kW 079 deg CeAs Radio Liberty Tatar Bashkir
(March 29 via wwdxc BC-DX TopNews April 2 via DXLD

Comparison to IRIB SW oulets from KAM or SIR
ENGLISH 1930-2028 5940SIT 6205-9sec ahead, 7205-4sec ahead, 7215 9800
FRENCH 1830-1928 5940SIT 9860 13600 15085
GERMAN 1730-1828 5940SIT 9940 15085
ITALIAN 0630-0728 9770SIT 13620 15085
RUSSIAN 1430-1528 9555SIT 7295-6sec ahead
SPANISH 2030-2128 6055SIT 7300-6sec ahead, 9780-6sec ahead

? noted very strong signal on 6130 kHz like powerhouse S=9+40dB at
0430-0500 UT March 29th.

And IRIB Tehran Russian via Sitkunai noted today on 9555 kHz six!
seconds behind Sirjan \\ 9580 kHz at 1430-1529 UT.

<http://www.zilionis.lt/rtv/radio-am.php?e>
some items on latter website are wrong at present. IRIB Russian is on
9555 kHz 1430 UT, HCJB Suns to Caucasus is on 9770 kHz 1530 UT, to
Germany at 1630 UT on 5940. (wb)

6130 Die neue Aussendung von NHK Radio Japan in Russisch ueber
Sitkunai Litauen um 0430-0500 UT, S=9+40dB powerhouse mit der
Rueckseite des dortigen Kazakhstan beams 79 Grad (Wolfgang B¸schel,
March 29, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews April 2 via DXLD)

** LITHUANIA. Summer A-10 of Sitkunai Relays:
0100-0158 9490 SIT 100 kW / 079 deg to EaAs Radio Free Asia Uyghur
0300-0358 9635 SIT 100 kW / 079 deg to CeAs Radio Liberty in Tatar
0430-0458 6130 SIT 100 kW / 079 deg to EaEu Radio Japan NHK Russian
0500-0558 9635 SIT 100 kW / 079 deg to CeAs Radio Liberty in Tatar
0630-0728 9770 SIT 100 kW / 259 deg to WeEu VOIROI/IRIB in Italian
1430-1528 9555 SIT 100 kW / 079 deg to EaEu VOIROI/IRIB in Russian
1530-1558 9770 SIT 100 kW / 079 deg to EaEu HCJB Global in Russian Sun
1600-1628 9770 SIT 100 kW / 079 deg to EaEu HCJB Global in Chechen Sun
1630-1728 5940 SIT 100 kW / 259 deg to WeEu HCJB Global in German
1730-1828 5940 SIT 100 kW / 259 deg to WeEu VOIROI/IRIB in German

1830-1928 5940 SIT 100 kW / 259 deg to WeEu VOIROI/IRIB in French
1930-2028 5940 SIT 100 kW / 259 deg to WeEu VOIROI/IRIB in English
2030-2128 6055 SIT 100 kW / 259 deg to WeEu VOIROI/IRIB in Spanish
(DX Mix News, Bulgaria, April 7 via DXLD)

** LUXEMBOURG. RTL.lu: Top Secret- Visit to Junglinster

Francis Lhote in the latest Hans Knot International Radio Report mentioned a recent Luxembourg TV programme about the Junglinster transmitter site in the Top Secret series.

It can be viewed online at:
http://tele.rtl.lu/magazin/topsecret/show/?v=10017709

Starts with adverts, slide to just above the rewind button, starts after the advert for Trouble No More. I believe the language used in the programme is Luxembourgish. Some very good footage of the present site and of some of the older equipment there (Mike Barraclough, UK, March 28, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

That`s a great little video. Just wish I could understand it! The LW transmitter must have been off air at the time or using a back up antenna and transmitter. I do not think you could stick your hand in that cabinet or climb those towers if it were live with 2000 kW! (Andy Reid, Ont., ibid.)

** MADAGASCAR [non]. Sabato 27 marzo 2010 *1530 - 15660 kHz (B09)
R. MADA INT. - Grigoriopol (Moldavia), Malgascio, talk OM. Segnale buono-molto buono. The transmission has a variable duration (I noted less than 30 minutes) and between the end of the programme and the tx s/off at 1600 there is a long tone (Luca Botto Fiora, G.C. 09E13 - 44N21, Rapallo (Genova), Italia, April 2, playdx yg via DXLD)

Another try to hear Radio Mada International, Saturday April 3, via PRIDNESTROVYE. Could not tune in until 1545, but then heard nothing but Greece on 15630, which had a stronger signal than neighbors: 15640-DRM, 15650-Lampertheim, 15660-Meyerton, 15670-Wertachtal. Yet WRN confirms R. Mada was really on 15630, and they have not complained about any Grecian interference in target. Saturdays and Sundays 1530-1600.

Tried again for R. Mada International Sunday April 4 after 1530, hiding under usual good signal from V. of Greece on 15630: maybe a trace of something there (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

A-10 schedule of R. Mada International in French to MDC: 1530-1600 on 15630*KCH 300 kW / 170 deg. On air Sat/Sun only. * co-ch ERA-5 Voice of Greece in Greek (DX Mix News, Bulgaria, April 7 via DXLD)

** MALAYSIA. 6049.63, Asyik FM, 1306-1405 Apr 3. Pop music, YL announcer after each song; canned "Asyik" jingles (no "FM"); spot-checked after 1329; still there at 1400 when 2 pips were followed by Quran program. Good signal, although deteriorated by 1400. Even better next day 4/4 (John Wilkins, Wheat Ridge, Colorado, Drake R-8, 100-foot random wire, Cumbredx mailing list via DXLD)

** MALAYSIA. 5964.93, 1/4 2320, RTM Klasik Nasional (presumed), Kajang, Malaysia, songs, some talks, jingle. Fair. Good on 3/4 at 2350

7295, 28/3 2344, Traxx FM, songs introduced in English, fair. No usual QRM from 7290 & 7300: Summer time changes effect! Nice signals also in next days (Giampiero Bernardini, RX: Perseus - Ant: Wellbrook LFL 1010, QTH: Bocca di Magra (La Spezia, Italia), dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MALAYSIA/SARAWAK. 7270, Wai FM via RTM, 1245, April 1. In vernacular with indigenous chanting/singing/music; heard under a somewhat stronger PBS Nei Menggu with their own style of indigenous chanting/singing/music, which was // 6040; 1310 heard the distinctive singing ìWai FMî station jingle; phone calls and pop songs. Has been a while since I last heard this, as usually China totally dominates.

7270, Wai FM via RTM, 1305-1332, April 7. Outstanding propagation! Almost good reception! In vernacular; Kuala Lumpur news; pop music and segments of talking; IDs and singing ìWai FMî station jingle; normally heard under a stronger PBS Nei Menggu, but not today. Audio attachment [in the dxldyg] of this rare reception, after the news (Ron Howard, Asilomar Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1507, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MALI. 9635, RTVM, *0800-0840, March 27, sign on with French ID announcements and flute IS. Local African music at 0801. Vernacular talk at 0809. Rustic African music at 0820. Poor to fair (Brian Alexander, PA, DX Listening Digest)

They're still silent on 7285v during the day, contrary to what a frequency announcement says, and active on 5995 in the evening.

9635, R. Mali, Kati, 153-409 [sic], 29 Mar'10, French, jingle + ID + frequency announcement (*) followed by program "L'Univers de l'Ambience", transmitter off 1202-1205, Malian music,..., vernacular, news at 1400; 35433. *) funny announcement to put it mildly: 7285 "on the 49 m band", 4835 & 4783, and a VHF-FM ch. for the Bamako area (Carlos GonÁalves, PORTUGAL, March 29, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MAURITANIA. 7245, R. Mauritanie, Nouakchott, 1207-1417, 29 Mar'10,

Arabic related vernacular, talks, totally different vernacular before 1230, newscast, French at 1400 for news; 35443. 73, (Carlos GonÁalves, PORTUGAL, March 29, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. 6010, checking RHC`s ever-changing language/frequency lineup, see CUBA, April 3 at 0618 could detect Mexican national anthem, underneath from Radio Mil, way past the legally required 0600 = local midnight time. Anyway, once DST is underway from April 4, it`s supposed to play at 0500 UT.

6010, Radio Mil, holding up as late as 1417 April 5, weak signal but in the clear with news of Banco de MÈxico (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. SeÒal demasiado desmejorada de XEQM [6104.8v] --- Pues asÌ parece, XEQM ha desminuÌdo de calidad su seÒal y hasta ahora no me han contestado los del departamento tÈcnico, escuchada hoy 31 de marzo a las 1225 UT con m˙sica, identificaciÛn y anuncios, ligera interferencia de Radio Habana Cuba [6110]. XEPPM [6185] ausente, en su lugar RHC [6180] y tampoco seÒal de RNA [6185]; veamos que ocurre en el Èter durante el horario de verano.
EnvÌo enlace al archivo de audio esperando le sea de utilidad:
http://rapidshare.com/files/370365909/SW6105KHZ-31MAR2010-1225UT.mp3.html
Atte: (Ing. Civ. Israel Gonz·lez Ahumada, M.I., Yucat·n, March 31, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

GiovedÏ 1 aprile 2010 0537 - 6104v kHz, prob. CANDELA FM - MÈrida (Messico), SS, annunci economici OM e mx ballabile. Segnale insufficiente-sufficiente. Dopo alcuni minuti Ë subentrata una stazione RTTY/CW, poi ha iniziato a imperversare il DRM proveniente da BR 6085+RTL 6095. Infine, alle 0600 su 6105 apre VOA in francese e si nota chiaramente il battimento con il Messico sottostante (Luca Botto Fiora, G.C. 09E13 - 44N21, Rapallo (Genova), Italia, April 2, playdx yg via DXLD)

6104.8, April 8 at 0657, Latin music with heavy beat, some distortion, ``…sta es la m·s grande`` slogan of XEQM, good on peaks but a few minutes later absent as in typical behaviour of this yucateca (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. 6185, Radio EducaciÛn, MÈxico DF, 0956-1001 April 4, 2010. Female singing in Latin with piano backup, in the clear and very good. Parallel fair 1060 (Terry L Krueger, Clearwater, Florida, USA. 27.55.83 N, 82.46.08 W, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

[and non]. 6185, April 5 at 0056, heavy mix of two different musical signals about 12 Hz apart, i.e. XEPPM and ZYE365 (Glenn Hauser, MPDX, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

6185, R. EducaciÛn totally in the clear April 7 from 0545 with great music, mostly romantic, tnx to geomag disturbance greatly weakening CRI via Sackville 6190 until 0600; and nothing from Vatican 6185 either. XEPPM Heard as late as 0717 with no Brasil, which presumably would come on before 0800.

6185, dozed off to great XEPPM music, April 8 and roused enough at 0810 to notice that there was still no ZY QRM (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MONGOLIA. 4830, 28/3 2337, Mongolian Radio, talks not // with 4895 7260 weak
4895, 28/3 2330, Mongolian Radio, talks like reports, music, good
7260, 28/3 2334, Mongolian Radio, talks, later songs // 4895 good (Giampiero Bernardini, RX: Perseus - Ant: Wellbrook LFL 1010, Bocca di Magra (La Spezia, Italia), dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MYANMAR. Myanmar is having trouble with their transmitters, or maybe power problems; very erratic transmission schedules. On Mar 29 at 0030, 5985/ or 5985.7 off the air. 5770, 5915 and 7185.77 were operating. Evening transmission had been off the air a couple pf days, then on one day going up to 1630* (Victor Goonetilleke, Sri Lanka in Dxplorer via DSWCI DX Window March 31 via DXLD)

7185.76v, Myanma Radio, 1217-1233, April 1. Last heard here during this time period in mid-March. Remains to be seen if a real change or a one day event. In vernacular and pop songs; NOT // with 5770, 5915 nor 5985.78v during this time period. 1348-1355*: heard carrying a Minorities and Distance Learning Services lecture in English and WAS // to 5915. After 1355*, noted 5915 still continuing on (observed in the past with sign-off at 1511). Needs more monitoring! (Ron Howard, Asilomar Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1507, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Yes, Myanmar was also there but not as strong as previously. It must have been off for a few days and may have returned after CPBS-1 departed after 24 hours. Do you hear any modulation on 7190(v)? I can't pick out who it is (Robin VK7RH Harwood, Tasmania, ibid.)

Hi Robin, Thanks for your confirmations! Am always happy to learn someone else is listening in to the same things I am. Please note the following log: SRI LANKA. 7190.04, Sri Lanka BC, 1226-1234*, March 16. In vernacular with subcontinent singing; choral anthem at sign off; poor (Ron Howard, Asilomar Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST) Thanks again for your observations! (Ron Howard Asilomar Beach, CA, USA, ibid.)

7185.75, Myanma Radio, 2353, April 05, Bamar already in progress at tune-in so apparently they now open here earlier than usual 0030 sign-on time. Needs further monitoring to see if this is a permanent change? 73, Martien Groot, Schoorl, Netherlands, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1507, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Intensified programming for the upcoming fake elections? As they are expected to be held some time between late spring and October 10, this might last a while.
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Burmese_general_election,_2010
73, (Eike Bierwirth, Germany, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1507, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hi Martien, Have also noted them with their evening broadcast here. Heard on 7185.75v, on April 4, from 1205 to 1255 with two audio feeds; the primary one (the strongest) was not // with any other Myanmar broadcast, but the secondary audio (very weak) was // 5985.78v, causing their own QRM. Also noted April 6 at 1211. This time period also needs more monitoring to see if it is a permanent change. As Eike Bierwirth has noted, perhaps these changes are of a political nature. This week Myanmarís Prime Minister General Thein Sein will attend the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) summit in Hanoi. Myanmarís upcoming election will probably be a big topic of discussion (Ron Howard, Asilomar Beach, CA, ibid.)

7185.75, Myanma R, 2330:23, April 06, intro tune on indigenous instruments, Bamar female opening announcement. Then was expecting NA & Buddhist devotions as per standard sign-on procedure but instead heard westernized pop songs. Seems a change in scheduling. Thought I could also hear second audio feed just prior to intro tune, as reported by Ron Howard. Generally much weaker than in previous years. 73, (Martien Groot, Schoorl, Netherlands, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1507, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

7185.75v, Myanma Radio, 1335 till sign-off about 1346, April 7. Heard carrying a Minorities and Distance Learning Services lecture about a writer; in English; presenter had possible British accent; 1345 into vernacular. As observed by Martien Groot (Netherlands), this seems weaker than normal; // to 5915 (under CRI).

9730.9v, Myanma Radio (?), 1423, April 7 heard an open carrier on about the frequency Myanmar had been heard on in the past; 5985.78v was noted off-the-air by this time. ASEAN summit being held this week may well affect their overall scheduling, so continued monitoring of Myanmar might prove fruitful (Ron Howard, Asilomar Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NEPAL. RADIO NEPAL MARKS 60TH ANNIVERSARY

KATHMANDU - The national radio of Nepal " Radio Nepal" marks its 60th anniversary on Friday. On the occasion Radio Nepal organized special program at its premises in Singhadurbar in the capital Kathmandu. During the program, Minister for Information and Communications Shankar Pokharel felicitated the winners of the music competition organized on the occasion.

Similarly, Minister Pokhrel felicitated the employees who completed 25 years of service for Radio Nepal. The information minister praised the role of Radio Nepal in institutionalization of the democratic republic. http://www.tmcnet.com/usubmit/2010/04/02/4706810.htm

Pictures of Radio Nepal 60th Anniversary celebrations :
http://www.radionepal.org/events/anniversary.php

Radio Nepal New Studio Facility at Singhdurbar
http://www.radionepal.org/events/studio1.jpg

Radio Nepal Multitrack Studio at Singhdurbar
http://www.radionepal.org/events/multitrack.jpg
(Alokesh Gupta, New Delhi, April 2, dxldyg via DX LISTENIING DIGEST)

** NETHERLANDS [non]. Sabato 27 marzo 2010 *1900 - 9895 kHz (B09), R. NEDERLAND - Trincomalee (Sri Lanka), Arabo, portante muta per 4 minuti, mx araba non stop per 11 minuti e primo ID YL solo alle 19.15!!! Strike? Segnale molto buono

*2200 - 9895 kHz (B09), R. NEDERLAND - Kigali (Ruanda), Arabo, ID YL e stessa mx non stop ascoltata alle 1900! Again strike? Segnale buono (Luca Botto Fiora, G.C. 09E13 - 44N21, Rapallo (Genova), Italia, April 2, playdx yg via DXLD)

No, as already explained in DXLD, they only produce Arabic programming on weekdays, but stay on the air weekends at no additional cost just playing music fill (gh, DXLD)

Yes, NOS has taken over compiling and presenting the Dutch bulletins. The government has been pressing us to coooperate more with them, and the old bulletinredactie is no more. But the staff are still here, and are being reassigned to other tasks. Nieuwslijn continues as before, produced by RNW specifically for expats (Andy Sennitt, RNW, March 31, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

RNW can run, but it can't hide! At least not yet; 15535 is inbooming here in English at 1813 in the Buffalo NY area, scheduled 1759-1957 to Africa via Wertachtal. It's a bit early in the afternoon to replace Bonaire, but the signal's stronger than Kigali. Very 73 de (Anne

Fanelli, March 29, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Netherlands(?), 7360, Radio Netherlands, 1110-1130 Aprin 3, Noted a program of Dutch language comments and features. Heard many mentions of "Nederland" during the Dutch comments. Checked all of my current references and didn't find anything on this frequency in Dutch language. Pull something up from DXLD however, from last November. At 1128 a female and male both talk in English language, mentioning "Radio Netherlands". "You are listening to Radio Netherlands Worldwide brought to you on the internet ...." Nothing mentioned in the announcement about shortwave, just the internet and satellite. After this announcement, the signal goes off the air, but while it was on the air, it was fair to good (Chuck Bolland, Clewiston FL, Watkins Johnson HF1000, 26.27N 081.05W, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Netherlands? Of course not. If you hear any RN broadcast it cannot possibly be direct from the NETHERLANDS, since Flevo transmitters were abolished/demolished years ago. Check the A-10 schedule and find 7360 at 1100-1127 via Tinang, PHILIPPINES 250 kW, 21 degrees for east China, Koreas and Japan, but also USward (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Glenn, The transmitters were moved to Germany, but the transmitter building and antennas are intact and the official position of KPN is that the site can be reactivated by anyone who can afford to use it and can supply the transmitters. Personally I don't think it will ever happen, but you never know (Andy Sennitt, RNW, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hmm, are there more Dutch-speakers in those countries, than, say, English-speakers in North America? It`s another de-facto 3-minute English broadcast to North America, with RNW failing to cut the Dutch satellite feed at 1127 instead of flipping to English; and IBB failing to cut off the transmission at 1127 (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Glenn, There may be less Dutch speakers in those countries than English-speakers in North America, but the difference is that many of them, and certainly their families, have paid Dutch taxes for many years, a tiny proportion of which end up funding RNW. Very few English-speaking listeners in North America have ever paid a dime to keep RNW on the air. I'm not suggesting you should, merely pointing out that you are comparing apples and oranges. We have a mission statement to serve Dutch expats wherever they are in the world. That includes people who are abroad on business or vacation as well as permanent expats. We do not have a mission to serve English-speaking listeners in North America. You may not like it, but it's a fact!
73, (Andy Sennitt, RNW, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

11835, Radio Netherlands poorly audible in English news at 1405 April 3, under skirts of much stronger WYFR 11830. The only frequencies left in A-10 for this 14-16 English broadcast to South Asia are this and 15745, both via MADAGASCAR, the latter inaudible (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NETHERLANDS ANTILLES. 6250, quite readable R. JapÛn in Spanish, April 5 at 0512 vs ute bursts near frequency. This leapfrog has appeared in A-10 since new frequency via Bonaire 6080 has started for the 0500-0530 broadcast, mixing with RN in Dutch on 6165 to land another 85 kHz higher. In the B-season, same mix was between 6165 in Dutch and 6195 in Spanish appearing as Dutch on 6225.

List-loggers, beware of assuming Spanish on 6250 during this semihour be Equatorial Guinea! But that usually does not start until after 0530, when active, which it has not been for some weeks (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1507, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

The ionosphere is still all screwed up following the G3 geomagnetic storm, with some very strange propagation. April 7 at 0523, found RN in Dutch with good signal on 9865. This was close to the OSOB and certainly the SSOB, an incredible situation considering all the other signals normally audible. Second strongest station on band was 9630, REE/Costa Rica, and a distant third, 9505 in Spanish, WYFR at 222 degrees. 9865 RN is of course BONAIRE, 300 kW at 230 degrees at 0500-0527 only.

Also, 6250, April 7 at 0525, NHK Spanish leapfrog of 6080 over RNW 6165 Dutch, but 6250 cut off at 0527* when 6165 went off altho NHK kept going on 6080 via Bonaire (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NETHERLANDS [non]. My guest this week on Happy Station is George Wood of Radio Sweden. For broadcast times and downloads go to http://www.pcjmedia.com

Now onto something a little more serious. For the past 2 weeks I've had my production assistant Johann Bakker go through every reception report. He found a total of 9 that had all the details for the 1600 UTC transmission also including the SINPO code. They were correct in every way except one. These shows never aired over WRMI. The only way they would have gone out is if Jeff at WRMI hacked into my server and downloaded the shows and put them to air. The shows in question were only uploaded and were never broadcast on SW.

My question is. Why would someone do this? What is the point? (Keith Perron, Taiwan, March 30, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

How about posting their QSLs on your website, Keith, instead of

mailing or e-mailing them? ;-) (Harold Sellers, ibid.)

I know this is only a few bad eggs as you find in every bunch. Not a bad idea after all. :) (Keith Perron, ibid.)

For some guys the end-all and be-all is collecting as many QSLs as possible from as many stations / countries / frequencies as possible. Actually listening to the station, on SW or otherwise, or not even doing so by copying some else`s report, is only a means to this end. It would certainly be interesting to see who the bad eggs are (Glenn Hauser, ibid.)

** NEW ZEALAND. 6170, RNZI, clear of VOR QRM, in nicely for good copy of new Mailbox from 1329 Monday April 5, lots of DX news and clips from Bryan Clark, who said he would not be back until June. Still sufficient signal at 1413 check with jazz singer (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9655, Radio New Zealand, 1120-1130 April 2, Noted a program of local news and comments all in English. Many mentions of Wellington prior to ID. "and that's Radio New Zealand International's ....." Signal was Good. Could not find this listed in the WRTH or AOKI's database. Even so, I recall this being a longtime frequency for RNZ (Chuck Bolland, WinRadio G305e/pd, Watkins Johnson HF1000, JRC'S NRD-545, ALL HOOKED UP TO THE SAME DIPOLE ANTENNA VIA A SWITCH, 26.27N 081.05W, Clewiston FL, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

?? But it was in DXLD 10-12 two weeks ago, 1159-1258 (gh, DXLD)

** NEW ZEALAND. A-10 schedule of Radio New Zealand International from Mar. 28

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0459-0658 11725 RAN 050 kW / 000 deg AM  All Pacific
0459-0658 11675 RAN 025 kW / 000 deg DRM All Pacific
0659-1058  6170 RAN 050 kW / 000 deg AM  All Pacific
0659-1058  7440 RAN 025 kW / 000 deg DRM All Pacific
1059-1258  9655 RAN 050 kW / 325 deg AM  NW Pac, Bougainville, PNG,
                                         Timor
1059-1158  7440 RAN 025 kW / 325 deg DRM NW Pac, Bougainville, PNG,
                                         Timor
1259-1550  6170 RAN 050 kW / 000 deg AM  All Pacific
1551-1850  7440 RAN 050 kW / 035 deg AM  Cook Isl, Samoa, Tonga, Niue
1551-1850  6170 RAN 025 kW / 035 deg DRM Cook Isl, Samoa, Tonga, Niue
1851-1950  9655 RAN 050 kW / 035 deg AM  Cook Isl, Samoa, Tonga, Niue
1851-1950  9890 RAN 025 kW / 035 deg DRM Cook Isl, Samoa, Tonga, Niue
1951-2050 11725 RAN 050 kW / 035 deg AM  Tonga Mon-Fri
1951-2050  9890 RAN 025 kW / 035 deg DRM Tonga Mon-Fri
2051-2150 11725 RAN 050 kW / 000 deg AM  All Pacific
2051-2150 11675 RAN 025 kW / 000 deg DRM All Pacific
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2151-0458 13730 RAN 050 kW / 000 deg AM All Pacific
2151-0458 15720 RAN 025 kW / 000 deg DRM All Pacific
(DX Mix News, Bulgaria, April 7 via DXLD)

** NIGERIA. 6089.85, Radio Nigeria, Kaduna, 2135-2207, April 3, talk in presumed Hausa. Local tribal chants at 2155. Talk at 2200. Local tribal music at 2204. Good signal until 2207 when covered by Anguilla sign on (Brian Alexander, PA, DX Listening Digest)

** NIGERIA. 9690, V. of Nigeria, Ikorodu, 0827-0836, March 30, vernacular. Announcer in unID language; "Talking Drums" at 0829; promo; tinny strings at 0832 into M announcer; poor (Scott R. Barbour Jr. Intervale, N.H. USA, NRD-545, 200' Beverages, MLB1, 60m dipole, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9690, 04/Apr 1716, Voice of Nigeria. Language unidentified. Not in list Aoki A10. OM and YL talks the 1720 UT. Listening confirmed via link mms://live.upstreamnetworks.com/17145-42351 Weak signal and degrading. As 1724 UT short pop local mx, after OM talks (Jorge Freitas, Feira de Santana, Bahia, Brasil, ibid.)

** NORTH AMERICA. [Pirate]. 6950 USB, Wolverine Radio, 0050-0140, March 27, wide variety of music by Billy Idol, ZZ Top, Paul Anka, James Taylor, The Police, Tears for Fears, Go-Goís, Ray Charles and others. IDs. Good. Strong.

[Pirate]. 6930 USB, Magnetar Radio, 0040-0050, March 27, odd techno-electronic music. IDs. Good.

[Pirate]. 6876.08 AM, The Crystal Ship, 0040-0055, April 2, novelty music. ID. Mentioned power of 100 watts. Fake ad for beasteality. Easter music. Good (Brian Alexander, PA, DX Listening Digest)

[Pirate]. 6930 USB, WLDJ, 2155-2214*, April 2, rock music. IDs by woman announcer as ìWLDJ, Voice of the Last DJ.î Email address. Sign off with SSTV. Weak. Poor with slight distortion.

[Pirate]. 6924.46 AM, Radio Ronin Shortwave, 2145-2150, April 2, rock music. IDs. Email address. Poor. Weak.

[Pirate]. 6925 USB, WBNY, 2320-2330, April 2, IDs. Fake ad for Botox. Novelty Easter music. Good.

[Pirate]. 6925 USB, Radio Mushroom, 0040-0052*, April 3, oldies pop music by Frankie Valli, Dion, Elvis and others. IDs. Email address. Poor in noisy conditions.

[Pirate]. 6925 AM, Northwoods Radio, 2340-2350+, April 3, rock music

by Led Zeppelin, Train and others. IDs. Good (all: Brian Alexander, PA, DX Listening Digest)

** NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS. CONTRACT TO OPERATE IBB TINIAN AND SAIPAN RELAYS

The Broadcasting Board of Governors (BBG), International Broadcasting Bureau (IBB) has a requirement for a single contractor to operate and maintain the Robert E Kamosa Transmitting Station (REKTS) Facilities consisting of radio transmitting plants located on the island of Tinian and Saipan, in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands (CNMI). The contract will include a base period (September 1, 2010 through August 31, 2011) with four one-year option periods that are subject to the availability of funding. --- More details here http://www.fbodaily.com/archive/2010/04-April/02-Apr-2010/FBO-02107885.htm (April 2nd, 2010 - 11:14 UTC, by Andy Sennitt, Media Network blog via DXLD)

** OKLAHOMA. 1580, KOKB Blackwell, not off the air, just not modulating, April 2 at 2033 UT. // 1020 KOKP Perry was modulating sportstalk normally. First noted 1580 silent in the car several minutes earlier, and could not be sure whether there was a silent carrier or not.

No one minding the store at KOKB 1580 Blackwell. That`s what you get from abandoning your heritage as a real local radio station, KLTR, to become nothing but a repeater of KOKP 1020 Perry (or a Stillwater FM station). Once again April 3 at 1935 UT open carrier on 1580 with zero modulation, and still the case at 2035 recheck, while 1020 was OK thruout (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** OKLAHOMA. Enid`s X-band station, 1640 has just changed format. It had been Fox sports talk, but who needs that with Chisholm Trail`s other station KCRC 1390 also sportstalk with ESPN?? Well, we ``needed`` that for several years. But this church-on-every-streetcorner town has an even greater ``need`` ---

First noticed April 6 as I tuned by at 0618 UT playing country gospel music! 0621 slogan thrice as ``solid gospel music``, and ``The new Faith 1640``. Are the calls still KFXY?

Yes, next check at 1557 UT again slogan ``The new Faith 1640``, and 1559 legal ID as ``KFXY, Enid-Oklahoma City, bringing you the best, a better variety of southern gospel music, the new Faith 1640``.

1600 into SRN News, which consists of two minutes of seemingly secular world news, a minute of religious promotion, and the remaining two minutes of the ``news`` with a pro-Christian, anti-Moslem slant.

1605 back to gospel music. Thus KFXY has switched from one totally useless format to another, as far as I am concerned. Now that I have got the word out, back to ignoring 1640.

As a reminder, this station is one of few on the X-band with a direxional antenna, same day and night, NNW/SSE from a site a few miles east of Hennessey, so it gets into city of license OK and also into Oklahoma City, 10 kW day and 1 kW night, --- but makes it difficult to DX in Europe, Australia and New Zealand, and also in much of North America, off the sides of the beam (Glenn Hauser, Enid, WORLD OF RADIO 1507, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hello Glenn, Cheers for the update. I have altered my NRC AM Logbook. This is still on my wants list. The format change will help differentiating it and sports regular WTNI Biloxi (Barry :-) Davies, UK, MWC yg via DXLD)

** OKLAHOMA [and non]. From a quiet location in west Enid, (the Walmart parking lot), a bandscan on caradio, see also USA, at 1937 UT April 3 found weak signals on 1450, and a SAH of 160/minute, plus hum; seems one is with a game and the other with talk, also maybe a low audible het.

The only groundwave-range stations here are Woodward, Shawnee, Altus OK and Hutchinson KS. KSIW Woodward is surely one of them. KGFF Shawnee likely the other by proximity except has nostalgia format per NRC AM Log 2009 while KWBW Hutchinson is newstalk. Too bad there is no reference to look up which two stations are exactly 2.67 Hz apart (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** OKLAHOMA [non]. These are the AM QSLs of North American stations collected during my stay in Boulder, Colorado:
KABQ, New Mexico 1350 (3 weeks)
KBMR, North Dakota 1130 (11 days)
KBRF, Minnesota 1250 (14 days)
KCMN, Colorado 1530 (5 days)
KCSF, Colorado 1300 (4 days)
KFI, California 640 (24 days)
KGAB, Wyoming 650 (8 days)
KGEM, Idaho 1140 (email, 1 day)
KGHL, Montana 790 (4 days)
KKOB, New Mexico 770 (6 days)
KKTY, Wyoming 1470 (66 days)
KLMR, Colorado 920 (email, 1 day)
KMOX, Missouri, tx in Illinois 1120 (27 days)
KOGA, Nebraska 930 (email, 1 day)
KRVN, Nebraska 880 (55 days)

KSAL, Kansas 1150 (14 days)
KSIR, Colorado 1010 (9 days)
KVCU, Colorado 1190 (9 days)
KVNS, Texas 1700 (email, 4 days)
KXEL, Iowa 1540 (9 months!)
KZNT, Colorado 1460 (3 days)
Rocky Mountain National Park Information Radio, Colorado 1610 (3 days)
WBAP, Texas 820 (24 days)
WDAY, North Dakota (email, 1 day)
WD2XSH/6 (ham beacon), Mississippi 506 (8 months)
WLW, Ohio 700 (10 days)
CBW, Manitoba 990 (13 days)
CKRM, Saskatchewan 620 (email, 1 day)

Stations from Oklahoma seemed to be collectively unresponsive.
73, (Eike Bierwirth, Leipzig, Germany, April 5, HCDX via DXLD)

** PAKISTAN. Most probably R. Pakistan in Bangla noted tentatively at 0935 UT on very odd 15620.18 kHz (Wolfgang B¸schel, April 1, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews April 2 via DXLD)

** PAKISTAN. Radio Pakistan broadcasts in English, but itís not a broadcast that easily makes its way to North America. You can get radio from the Pakistan Broadcasting Corporation in English, however, via their website -- http://www.radio.gov.pk/index.asp

You somewhat have to piece their schedule together, in part because some times are shown in UTC and others in Pakistan Standard Time (PST); the portion of their shortwave schedule that is webcast appears to be 1330 to 1630 UT. HoweverÖmy experience suggests that English language programming airs from 1600 to 1650 UT on the link labelled <NBS Live> on the Radio Pakistan website. The programming is reasonably listenable, as there are different hosts for the various segments of the program (news, commentary, business news, sports news). This may be programming that airs only domestically, but it may also be programming that airs on external services; itís only identified on air as ìRadio Pakistanî.

In addition to the live programming mentioned above, Radio Pakistan also has English language news available on-demand. The listed editions are 0300, 0800, 1100, 1300, and 1600 UTC, presuming the local time convention used elsewhere in Radio Pakistanís listings is followed. The on-demand programming is on the same website mentioned above; look for the ìNews Bulletinsî section of the website on the right side of the web page (Richard Cuff, Click!, April ODXA Listening In via DXLD)

** PANAMA. ANTENA DX, Nuevo programa diexista --- 4 de abril 2010

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(via JosÈ Bueno, April 4, dxclubepr yg via DXLD)

** PARAGUAY. (harmonic). 2100 (3 x 700), R. Carlos Antonio LÛpez, Pilar, 2336 on Mar 29. Man mentions "Banco Nacional de Fomento, Pilar". Audio:
http://www.goear.com/listen/afd7ddc/paraguay-%28h%29.-2100-%283x700%29-r-carlos-antonio-l%C3%A3%C2%B3pez,-pilar-horacio-a.-nigro
(Horacio A. Nigro, El Pinar, in Departamento de Canelones, a seaside resort located at nearly 30 km east of Montevideo, Uruguay, Easter DX week, Kenwood R600, longwire 100m beamed E, NE, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PARAGUAY. 11 DE ABRIL SE ATRASA LA HORA --- El segundo domingo del mes de abril se atrasar· 60 minutos la hora de acuerdo al Decreto 3958 del Poder Ejecutivo firmado el 17 de febrero del 2010 ìpor el cual se establecen las normas relativas a la determinaciÛn de la hora oficial en la Rep˙blica del Paraguayî, asÌ informÛ oficialmente a Radio Nacional Augusto Dos Santos, ministro - secretario ejecutivo de la Secretaria de InformaciÛn y ComunicaciÛn para el Desarrollo (Sicom).

ìEsto debido a la recomendaciÛn basada en la declaraciÛn de estado de emergencia del sistema elÈctrico y cu·nto m·s hora con sol exista en el horario de actividades en la funciÛn publica como actividades escolares, ser· favorableî, indicÛ Dos Santos.

AgregÛ que mediante el mismo decreto, ìel primer domingo del mes de octubre se adelantar· 60 minutos la hora oficial en todo el territorio Nacionalî. Fuente: bit.ly/cOO87c (via Yimber Gaviria, Colombia, DXLD)

According to WRTH, DST of UT -3 was supposed to end March 10, then UT -4 normal winter time. Must have been extended. Yes, see: http://www.timeanddate.com/news/time/paraguay-dst-april-2010.html

Unfortunately, this is academic for SWLs as there are no active stations. Or are there? Look what WRTH 2010 lists, even if no one has reported them since longtime:

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 6884, 0.1 kW,   LV del Chaco Paraguayo, USB feeder, 0900-0230
 6890, 0.1 kW,   R. Pa`I Puku, Tte. Irala Fern·ndez, USB feeder, 0900-
                 0100, Sun 1000-0030
12000, 0.025 kW, R. Licemil, YpanÈ
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(Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PERU. 4790, Radio VisiÛn, 0900-0910 April 2, Noted regular program for a moment after tuning in, but by 0905, the format turned to religious. Signal was better than usual suggesting that they may have worked on the transmitter? They seemed to be off the air last week, so that might be a possibility that they did something to the transmitter. Signal was fair (Chuck Bolland, WinRadio G305e/pd, Watkins Johnson HF1000, JRC'S NRD-545, ALL HOOKED UP TO THE SAME DIPOLE ANTENNA VIA A SWITCH, 26.27N 081.05W, Clewiston FL, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

4790, RADIO VISION. Chiclayo, Per˙. 0058-0110 abril 2. M˙sica folclÛrica, ID "... Radio VisiÛn, una radio para todo, transmitiendo simult·neamente desde sus estudios en pleno corazÛn de Chiclayo, Juan Fanning 457 con una programaciÛn hecha para el deleite de todos los p˙blicos; una radio con corazÛn, abriendo el camino de la verdad y la fÈ; Radio VisiÛn, transmitiendo para el Per˙ y el mundo..." ContinuÛ Iglesia Pentecostal La Cosecha.

5025, RADIO QUILLABAMBA. Quillabamba. Per˙. 1034-1050 abril 3. M˙sica religiosa. ID: "...a travÈs de los 91.1 MHz, transmite Radio Quillabamba..." TransmisiÛn de la PasiÛn de Jesuscristo dramatizada. Mejor en LSB por presencia de Radio Rebelde.

6047.2, RADIO SANTA ROSA. Lima, Per˙. 2210-2310 abril 2. TransmisiÛn

desde la Catedral del SermÛn de las siete palabras. Luego de las 2230 con el servicio hispanoamericano de Radio Vaticano. A las 2300 con promociÛn a las celebraciones de Semana Santa. "...Radio Santa Rosa, primera emisora catÛlica del Per˙..." Fuerte QRM desde HCJB, por momentos mejor en LSB (Rafael RodrÌguez R., Fomeque, Cundinamarca (90 km al suroriente de Bogot·), Colombia, con el Sony ICF 2010 y antena hilo de 10 metros, playdx yg via DXLD)

** PERU. 6019.30, Radio Victoria, 0930-0945 April 2, Noted a male in religious sermon. This is the usual fellow who puts a lot of emotion into his preaching. I like to call him the "weeping preacher" [David Miranda, who I call the wacky wailer --- gh]. Anyway, signal is best heard in LSB mode because Australia is on the upper side of the signal and can't be notched out with the WinRadio G305e, because there is no notch! (Chuck Bolland, WinRadio G305e/pd, Watkins Johnson HF1000, JRC'S NRD-545, ALL HOOKED UP TO THE SAME DIPOLE ANTENNA VIA A SWITCH, 26.27N 081.05W, Clewiston FL, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Is this a QSL? This is a tentative; I'm not sure what it means exactly. PERU, Radio Victoria, 6019.28 kHz, 18 March 2010, 0445-0530z.

I sent a reception report in Spanish, and requested a QSL or verification, by post with $3 US specifically identified for return postage to:

Radio Victoria, via
Iglesia Pentecostal Dios es Amor
Av. Arica 248,
BreÒa
Lima, Lima 05,
Per˙

I received an e-mail from Sr. Carlos Cabrera Torres at R. Victoria - here is his response, translated from Spanish:

"Dear Bruce Jensen: It was gratifying for us to read [your] report tuning our [Emisora] Radio Victoria, which operates from the city of Lima, capital of Peru, South America.

"We are gratified and very pleased to know that our sound waves [are] reaching your country and indeed also that programming is your pleasure. You can send your report to us at: radiovicto.. .@terra.com or to this email. and thus extend our relationship.

"We also take this [opportunity] to thank [you] for [your] report which is very useful for us. From now part of our circle of friends of Radio Victoria. Without further ado, Sincerely,

CARLOS CABRERA TORRES
DIRECTOR DE PRENSA DE RADIOPERI”DICO NUEVO MUNDO
RADIO VICTORIA - 780 Klcs. AM
Of. 424-4321 // 997121896
RPM CLARO: 989077075"

There is absolutely no other detail. So - is this a QSL or verification? I know that R. Victoria has QSLed many times in the past for others - but I am not sure about this message.

So on this message, being uncertain as to whether a physical QSL is forthcoming via post, I simply sent another e-mail in Spanish with Sr. Cabrera's e-mail, requesting clarification about whether the signal I heard was in fact Radio Victoria. In my e-mail I included the vital details, so if he responds directly, the facts will be in the e-mail. Maybe the best I can do without being gauche?

OTOH, maybe they'll send a pile of stuff - weirder things have happened! (Bruce Jensen, ptsw yg via DXLD)

Om het lijstje van gisterenavond aftemaken op de 49mb, tijden zijn tussen 2330 en middernacht in UT, April 5:
6019.291, Radio Victoria, Lima, SS religion speech.
73, (Maurits Van Driessche, Belgium, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9720.0, April 8 at 0648 after hearing Brasil on 9819.9, detected immediate mention of Iglesia Pentecostal Dios es Amor, i.e. in Spanish, and shortly the intonations of wacky wailer David Miranda. Therefore this is R. Victoria, Lima, separable from somewhat stronger but not overpowering WYFR 9715. Frequency confirmed as not offset by comparing to WGN 720, tuning the MHz dial only on the FRG-7 with BFO on. Brazil, q.v. was also in on 9819.9 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PHILIPPINES. 7505, FEBC Manila as usual, + tentative V of Tibet and CHINA jammer ahead, at 1500-1600 UT, terrible mixture (Wolfgang B¸schel, Germany, March 29, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews April 2 via DXLD

** PHILIPPINES. 9615, RVA, Palauig, 1054-1103, April 1, Mandarin. M announcer & brief music; talk over church bells & lite orchestral music; announcer at 1059 thru tune/out; good (Scott R. Barbour Jr. Intervale, N.H. USA, NRD-545, 200' Beverages, MLB1, 60m dipole, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PHILIPPINES. Radyo Philipinas was off on Friday 2nd and Saturday 3rd April probably for Easter. I had noted this absence last year too. This morning they were back at 0200 UT on 15510, 15285 and 1188[0] kHz in English but still announcing 17710 kHz which is no longer there

(Supratik Sanatani, India, April 4, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15190, R. Pilipinas/VOP via Tinang, ConcepciÛn, Tarlac Province, 1739, April 3. Assume on at scheduled *1730; outstanding reception which must have been due to propagation; daily program for Filipino workers in the Middle East; in Filipino with operatic singing and long talk about music; mentioned ìPhilippine Broadcasting Serviceî; tuned out at 1811, still strong signal. No hint of Radio Africa (Equatorial Guinea) (Ron Howard, Asilomar Beach, CA, EtÛn E5 with just whip antenna, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PHILIPPINES. 17820 at 0028 April 5, heavy flutter on poor signal with YDD and VOA sign-on. This is 21 degrees from Tinang, ergo USward, and quite fortunate was I to catch it as only in use for this semi-hour in Spe-cial Eng-lish (Glenn Hauser, MPDX, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PORTUGAL. 15560, RDPI, Saturday April 3 at 1358, VG signal with funny novelty song to the tune of ``Reveille`` running past 1400, then weather for AÁores and Madeira, news in joint service from Antena Um e RDPI. Title of the program at 1309-1400 UT this date per http://tv.rtp.pt/EPG/radio/epg-dia.php?canal=5&ac=d&sem=e was ``Europa/¡frica`` (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PRIDNESTROVYE. See RUSSIA for discussion of the 9665 anomaly

** QATAR. TRANSRADIO INSTALLS 600 KW DRM COMPATIBLE MW TXER IN QATAR

A 600 kW DRM compatible MW transmitter was installed on 15th March 2010 at Al-Arish, Qatar by the state broadcasting company. The overall project included the installation of two TRAM 300 AM transmitters, one Paralleling Unit (PU), two digital DRM Exciter DMOD2, and an antenna for medium wave frequency 675 kHz. Antenna design & construction was by Thomson Broadcast & Multimedia GmbH & was developed in collaboration between Thomson & Transradio. The transmissions will begin in the next few days. With this transmitter, an older station near the Qatari capital of Doha will be replaced.

(Source : Transradio Press Release in German via Alokesh Gupta, New Delhi, India, April 1, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1507, DXLD)

Doha Al Keesha / Khaisah 675 kHz 100 kW, mast at 25 24'19.26"N, 51 28'43.67"E

and also located around 999 50 kW, 1233 100 kW masts. Two low power MW masts too, as well as a lot of rusty SW antennas of 49/41, 30, 19/25, 13/16 meterbands. Poor visibility due of sand covered installations at

http://maps.google.de/maps?
f=q&source=s_q&hl=de&geocode=&q=+25%C2%B024%279.21%22N+51%C2%B028%2736.98%22E&sll=
51.151786,10.415039&sspn=20.86372,57.084961&ie=UTF8&ll=25.402577,51.476955&spn=0.0
03659,0.006968&t=h&z=18

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At Al-Arish on the northwestern tip of peninsula also two MW
installations visible

Qatar MW 954 kHz 1000 kW Harris Tx to 275 degr, 2 reflectors
26 03'45.23"N 51 04'59.76"E

http://maps.google.de/maps?f=q&source=s_q&hl=de&geocode=&q=26%C2%B003%2745.23%22N+
+51%C2%B004%2759.76%22E&sll=51.151786,10.415039&sspn=20.86372,57.084961&ie=UTF8&ll
=26.062845,51.084087&spn=0.007277,0.013937&t=h&z=17

Qatar MW 954 kHz former 1500 kW Marconi Tx to 280degr
4dir/1driven/1reflector
26 03'55.85"N 51 05'08.46"E

http://maps.google.de/maps?f=q&source=s_q&hl=de&geocode=&q=26%C2%B003%2755.85%22N+
+51%C2%B005%2708.46%22E&sll=51.151786,10.415039&sspn=20.86372,57.084961&ie=UTF8&ll
=26.062845,51.084087&spn=0.007277,0.013937&t=h&z=17

Maybe the engineers of Thomson Broadcast & Multimedia GmbH engineering
center at Schifferstadt Germany refurbished one or more of the six MW
masts north of the TX house. info @ thomson-bm.de
(formerly BBC Brown Broveri Mannheim / Thomcast)

see also under Panoramio
http://www.panoramio.com/photo/11865266
http://mw2.google.com/mw-panoramio/photos/medium/11865266.jpg
73 wb (Wolfgang B¸schel, ibid.)

** ROMANIA. HF UNID --- Who am I hearing on 7535 at 0112 UT, blast
furnace loud in a mid eastern or what could be a eastern European
language? (Kevin Redding, Crump TN, UT March 30, ABDX via DXLD)

Got it here in Palm Coast, 52 decibels on the meter, at maximum. Am
trying to ID the idiom (Ron Gitschier, Palm Coast, FL, Grundig G8
nekkid, ibid.)

Coming in here very good too! Dunno, I don't think I ever heard this
language before; I did get several mentions of (earth day) and keep
hearing Radio International. Just heard Afghanistan, sounds like
French at times, then Spanish and another dialect mixed together? GL
8:56 PM Poof it's gone (Dean_0 Wayman, NE, ibid.)

Man it was a real mish mash language. It was a mess. They were loud, I just kept hearing Radio International. Don't know who it was (Kevin Redding, Crump, TN, ibid.)

Romanians might not appreciate being called mish-mash, altho it`s a mixture of Romance and Slavic. Radio Romania International. 73, (Glenn Hauser, ibid.)

Any idea where the 7537 transmitter is, Glenn? (Kevin Redding, ibid.)

Yaaa i'd like to know as well? Thanks for the info gents. Really strange for me to hear something like this; just before they went away last night they played a couple of interesting tunes, never heard anything like it before. Tues Mar 30, strong again tonight, although a little more fading present, but good steady signal (Dean_0 Wayman, ibid.)

I would "second" Glenn H.'s description of Romanian, but would add emphasis on the Romance.

words like "Acasa" (House), occupat (busy) , frata (brother - think "fraternal") sora (sister- as in "Sorority") and others dominate much of the language. it can at times sound like a Slav speaking Italian.

btw, in Italian, good evening is "bona sera". In Romanian: "buna seara". And you'll hear a lot of "buna seara"s at TOH, newstime and during interviews on RRI. That's my two cents worth. "o zi buna. ceau" ;D ! (Rick Barton, AZ, ibid.)

My impression, too, for the short time I listened was perhaps a Romance language not spoken in its native tongue. And now, I learned something very interesting about Romania. I was on guard for Portuguese. There was some Portuguese spoken in my extended family, but I didn't recognize any in the broadcast.

I have to say that they had a KILLER signal, especially if the transmission originated from anywhere near Romania! I had a high of 52db on the Grundig G8, with its telescopic antenna here in Palm Coast, Florida (Ron Gitschier, ibid.)

7535 at 00-02 UT is from Galbeni. RRI does not use any relays outside the country. Since refurbishing last year, new 300 kW transmitters and antennas, they have some of the best signals direct from Europe. Many of their broadcasts aimed at western Europe also carry on here in exactly the same direction (Glenn Hauser, ibid.) See SPAIN [and non]

** RUSSIA [and non]. VOR followup: WS in English is 02-04 on 9665 to

NAm, only frequency heard thus far for us. Could this be a sign of cutbacks in VOR frequency usage? (Joe Hanlon, NJ, March 30, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Yes, but 9665 is really for Latin America, and // 15425 the only for NAm, from Asia, as subsequently discovered (gh, DXLD)

Whither VoR --- I do not know if I have missed a posting or schedule but I am having no luck hearing VoR on their alleged summer frequency of 9665 via Moldova. The frequency is totally blank around 23 UT. It can not be propagation as geographically next door Romania comes in fine on 9790 at 22 UT and Bulgaria is good as well at 23 UT both in English.

Good luck finding anything on their web site regarding frequencies [or most anything else like podcasting for example]. Uggh (Andy Reid, Ont., April 1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hi Andy: Yes, as Glenn has also pointed out, don't believe VoR's posted schedule. They do not have a frequency between 2300 and 0200 UT. Radio PMR uses 9665 until 0200 (Harold Sellers, BC, ibid.)

Hi Harold, OK so
1. Has anyone found VoR?
2. PMR is not on the air on 9665. I do not hear anything on the frequency. Transmitter problems? I has happened in the past (Andy Reid, ibid.)

9665, Grigoriopol Moldova noted with Russian VOR Moscow program, I guess to remember 4-5 UT in this week. Powerhouse of 500 kW as usual in southern Germany. But needs further check, whether on air 2-5 UT daily (Wolfgang B¸schel, ibid.)

Mark Coady heard them there a couple of days within the past week. PMR broadcasts Sun to Thurs UT (Harold Sellers, April 2, ibid.)

PMR was Sun-Thu when they were on before 00 UT, i.e. local M-F already; but I figured they would be on UT-Mon-Fri now that they are on after 00 UT - ? (Glenn Hauser, ibid.)

Yes, you're right, Glenn (Harold Sellers, ibid.)

I may be `right`, but apparently PMR 9665 was NOT on the air UT Friday 00-02; is that what someone observed? (Glenn Hauser, ibid.)

9735, La Voz de Rusia, 0458 April 5, huge signal closing transmission with Spanish schedule mentioning meterbands only. This is 500 kW, 320 degrees from GUIANA FRENCH for Caribbean, Mexico, AND the conterminous

USA, CIRAF Zones 6-8.

Meanwhile, the poor English-speakers in North America must now struggle to hear VOR only on weak and unreliable signals direct from Asia or Europe. We know when we are not wanted as listeners (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

> 9665 Grigoriopol Moldova noted with Russian VoRUS Moscow program

What became of this matter? Right now, at 0045 April 5, I note a faint carrier on 9665. At the same time 9580 from nearby Romania is faded out (only // 7335 comes in with strong signal), so this could indeed be the Grigoriopol transmitter. Radio PMR is supposed to be on air Mon-Fri, so their NAm transmission would be due Thu-Sun [sic] local time but not now, on Monday, right?

Remember that Voice of Russia again makes a point of having English on air around the clock. Without 9665 until 0200 this would no longer be the case, since Bolshakovo on 1215 signs off at 2300 but Yelizovo on 15425 does not sign on until 0200. So in all likelyhood there is programming between 2300 and 0200 that does not reach further than into the signal distribution, some satellite channels that are hardly accessible by consumers.

Seems to me that something went wrong in the planning process here. Writing to Moscow could not hurt, considering that German has been brought back on shortwave within less than two weeks after listener complaints.

By the way, Yelizovo:
http://www.panoramio.com/photo/6816537
http://www.panoramio.com/photo/18430205
The impressive background is the 3456 metres tall Koryaksiy volcano (Kai Ludwig, Germany, UT April 5, ibid.)

Kai, I think the upshot of this is we have to determine if VoR is on at 22 UT to NAm like it was in winter [23 UT]. They signed on 7250 which performed well all evening. I think that channel was direct from Russia. Russia's Eastern transmitters do not typically make it to this part of NAm - Ontario (Andy Reid, ibid.)

Other options, used in recent years, would be Armenia (Gavar) and Ukraine (Lutch). However, registrations suggest that in this case 7250 came indeed from European Russia, from the Tbilisskaya plant between Krasnodar and Armavir in particular.

By the way, a possible explanation of the current situation could be the recent reduction of Radio PMR transmissions to almost nil. Now

they apparently found some money again, and probably this led to bumping Voice of Russia from this 9665 slot and reverting to Radio PMR, with all communication getting stuck in a Soviet-style bureaucracy that appears still to be alive, fighting each other office, filing competing HFCC registrations etc.

To make the point: Voice of Russia may well believe that they are transmit on 9665 as scheduled. I even suspect they pay for this non-existing slot (Kai Ludwig, ibid.)

9665, nothing noted here in Germany last night at 0145 UT. But at present are very lousy prop conditions (Wolfgang B¸schel, April 6, ibid.)

Checking the URL for the Voice of Russia English schedule posted in DXLD 10-13 it is now showing 9890 for North America 2200-0200:
http://english.ruvr.ru/radio_broadcast/schedule/
(Mike Barraclough, 1520 UT April 6, ibid.)

Ah, progress in small steps. That would be due northwest from ``Armavir`` site. They still need to fix the typo further down to Asia on ``15000``, and put the A-10 instead of B-09 program grid below it (Glenn Hauser, ibid.)

Glenn, Per Aoki "15000" is 11500 as you thought it might be in DXLD 10-13 (Mike Barraclough, April 7, ibid.)

The Voice of Russia website,
http://english.ruvr.ru/radio_broadcast/schedule
currently shows these times and frequencies for:

North America
 9890 2200-2300
 9890 2300-0000
 9890 0000-0100
 9890 0100-0200
15425 0200-0300
15425 0300-0400
13775 0400-0500
13775 0500-0600

Latin America
 9665 0200-0300
 9665 0300-0400
Regards (Harry Brooks, North East England, UK, 1513 UT April 6, ibid.)

Someone suggested to send them an e-mail about the NA service so I did Sunday; I received a reply from them Monday saying they were on 9665

to NA; wrote back to them what was actually on 9665 and just recieved an e-mail from them that starting tonight they would be on 9890 to the east coast of NA. they also said that there web site was updated. E-mail from them was sent 6:15 this morning (Peter W Hansen, April 6, WORLD OF RADIO 1507, ibid.)

Peter W. Hansen tells us that he convinced V. of Russia that they were not really broadcasting to North America on 9665, and they advised him April 6 that they would be on new 9890 at 22-02; Harry Brooks and Mike Barraclough soon found that the schedule
http://english.ruvr.ru/radio_broadcast/schedule/
had been updated to show that.

Good going on getting their attention, but 9890 is an awful choice:

Checked at 2317 UT April 6, inaudible vs huge splash from VOA Spanish 9885 and the DentroCuban Jamming Command. (However, the jamming might stop at 0000). With BFO could only detect a trace of a carrier on 9890.

After 0000, jamming seems off but VOA Spanish still very strong, no VOR audible. At 0032 there seemed to be a trace of VOR on 9890, and at 0113 after VOA was off, VOR was just barely audible. Of course, propagation from Europe is still pitiful following geomagnetic storms.

Possibly after conditions recover, 9890, 500 kW due northwest from ``Armavir`` will be usable in eastern N America, but not very at 23-24 with the Cuban radio war on 9885 and more VOA/MartÌ until 01 on weeknights (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1507, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Yes, 9890 Armavir Krasnodar Caucasus is on air 2230 UT today April 7 (UT) noted with free jazz music, played in \\ to Koenigsberg Bolshakovo MW 1215 kHz. Latter is 4 seconds ahead of slower Armavir transmission. Very lousy signal strength on 9890, like a 20 kW small domestic station (Wolfgang B¸schel, Germany, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

At 0000 UT April 8, only VOR Russian service on 7270 kHz via Yerevan Kamo Gavar site [ARMENIA] heard here in western Europe tonight. The only Russian transmission in 41 and 31 mb.

[all Greece, Serbia/Bosnia, Bulgaria and Romania services towards NAm with fair signals at same time.] Weak signals under threshold on tentative 7285 and, tiny carrier on 9890 kHz at 0000 UT. Looks like the Russian international radio service is bankrupt in some way at present? (Wolfgang B¸schel, ibid.)

Good to hear they are still broadcasting all evening to NAm. Like last year, this frequency [or whatever other 31mb non-Moldovia channel they used] did not propagate till high summer. No sign of it tonight or last night during the 23 UT hour. They should have stuck with 7250. During this sunspot period, 7250 would have worked all summer. VoR typically will change this frequency Aug. 1. Tnx all for checking. (Andy Reid, Ont., ibid.)

Straining to hear V. of Russia on its new frequency for North America in English, 9890 on its alleged second day in use, April 7: first check at 2145, seems a carrier but not to start until 2200. At 2200, just barely audible, and no adjacent interference yet. 2300 still JBA, can`t even recognize ID or IS, theme, and now the ACI starts, i.e. 9885 with VOA Spanish initially over the DentroCuban Jamming Command.

VOR is still useless. This is supposed to be 500 kW from ``Armavir`` aimed right at us, 315 degrees. Wolfgang B¸schel in Germany confirms it`s on the air, but sounds more like 20 kW to him. Of course, we are still recovering from the G3 geomagnetic storm of a couple days ago, so things ought to improve in next few days, but deliberately or negligently transmitting 5 kHz from any North American SW frequency is self-defeating nonsense.

No better on UT April 9 0045, JBA uncopyable signal on 9890 in skirts of Cuban-American radio war, not only VOA but jamming too now (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** RUSSIA. Moscow A10. VOICE OF RUSSIA. Russian.

Europe
0400-0900 - 630, 693, 1431
0600-1500 - 999
0800-1000 & 1200-1300 - 9850 DRM
1200-1500 - 612
1300-1400 - 9750 DRM
1500-1900 - 1494
1600-1800 - 999
1600-1700 & 1800-2000 - 7310
1700-1800 - 630, 1431
1800-2000 - 1413
2000-2300 - 999
2100-2200 - 630, 693, 1323, 1431
2300-0300 - 7285.

Moscow
1900-2000 & 2100-2200 - 612.

Australia, New Zealand, Southeastern Asia and Oceania

0505-0700 & 1000-1100 - 17495
1200-1400 - 12030.

Central America
2300-0300 - 7270, 7285.

Asia
0100-0300 - 15585 kHz + 15735 DRM
1200-1300 - 1143, 1503, 12030 kHz + 9445 DRM
1300-1400 - 1143, 1251, 1503, 12030
1400-1500 - 1503
1500-1600 - 1251, 1503
1600-2000 - 1503.

Middle East and Central Asia
0100-0300 - 648, 972, 1503
0300-0400 - 648
1000-1100 - 972
1100-1200 - 648, 972
1200 1300 - 1143, 1503, 13870
1300-1400 - 1143, 1251, 1377, 1503, 13870
1400-1500 - 648, 1377, 1503, 11985, 13870
1500-1600 - 1089, 1251, 1503
1600-1700 - 1089, 1170, 1503
1700-1800 - 1089, 1170, 1503, 15340
1800-1900 - 1089, 1170, 1503
1900-2000 - 1089, 1503
2000-2200 - 1170.

Baltiya
1200-1500 - 612, 1143
1500-1700 & 1800-2100 - 1143
1500-1900 - 1494.

Ukraine and Moldova
0600-1500, 1600-1800 & 2000-2300 - 999
1400-1500 - 11985
1700-1800 - 15340
1800-2000 - 1413.

Belarus
1200-1500 - 612
1200-1700 & 1800-2100 - 1143.

Countries of CIS and Central Asia
0100-0400, 0600-0800, 1100-1200 & 1400-1500 - 648
0100-0300, 0500-0700, 0900-1200 - 972
0100-0300 & 1200-2100 - 1503

1200-1400 - 1143
1300-1400 - 1251
1400-1500 & 1700-1800 - 9460 (from 5 September 5925)
1600-1900 - 1026

Countries of CIS and Kavkaz
0300-0400 & 1300-1500 - 1377
1500-2000 - 1089
1600-1900 & 2000-2200 - 1170
1700-1800 - 15340.

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Europe
1200-1500 - 630, 693, 1323, 1431
1900-2100 - 630, 693, 1431.

Central America
0300-0400 - 9890 (from 5 September 5900)

Middle East and Central Asia
0100-0900, 1100-1200, 1500-1700 - 801
0300-0500 - 1170
0300-1200, 1400-1500, 2000-2200 - 1314
1000-1200, 1800-1900 - 1323
1700-2000 - 648
1800-2200 - 1143
2200-2300 - 6145.

Ukraine and Moldova
1600-1700 - 15340.

Countries of CIS and Central Asia
0100-0900, 1100-1200, 1500-1700 - 801
1000-1200, 1800-1900 - 1323
1700-2000 - 648
1800-2200 - 1143.

Countries of CIS and Kavkaz
0300-1200 ? 2000-2200 - 1314
0400-0500 - 1170.
(Voice of Russia)

DX programme in Russian :
13.33 Sun, 02.33 Mon, 08.33 Mon, 22.33 Mon
(via Anatoly Klepov, RusDX 28 March via DXLD)

?? Something missing? NOTHING to North America in either Russian-

language service any more. Do svidaniya! We can try for Central American frequencies, however (gh, WORLD OF RADIO 1507, DXLD)

I fear we could see a worst case scenario of just all shortwave frequencies of Radio Rossii going dark, and probably some of the MW/LW transmitters, too (Kai Ludwig, Germany, March 29, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

For now the cuts will apply to (some?) local SW relays only. The so called "federal" SW broadcasting of R. Rossii targeting W. Europe seems to be well-funded for now. Of course, that can change very abruptly (Sergei S., ibid.)

** RUSSIA. 4831, 3/4 2032-2100*, Voice of Russia, religious music. Off at 2101. It is a spurious signal from Tbilisskaya, reported on Apr 01 by Anker Petersen who explains: Tbilisskaya 5920 - Tbilisskaya 1089 MW = 4831 (Thank Anker for your help) (Giampiero Bernardini, RX: Perseus - Ant: Wellbrook LFL 1010, QTH: Bocca di Magra (La Spezia, Italia), dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST) Viz.:

4830.93, 2050-2100* 01.04, Voice of Russia, Tbilisskaya Spurious signal: Tbilisskaya 5920 - Tbilisskaya 1089 MW = 4831, Russian talk, Church bells and closing ann, 25333 (Anker Petersen, in Skovlunde, Denmark, on my AOR AR7030PLUS with 28 metres of longwire, via Dario Monferini, playdx yg via DXLD)

** RUSSIA [and non]. 5920, R. Rossii, Petropavlovsk/Kamchatsky, horrible motor-boating noise self-imposed, April 4 at 1249 with talk in Russian and music. Just for kix, I monitored around hourtop to see if 8GAL CW marker would accompany it, as it does in the winter when same defective Russian transmitter is on 6075 until 1400. No.

But RR timesignal was as usual 5 seconds late compared to WWV, and then to open carrier but still motorboating which lasted until 1303:20*. It was a stark contrast to clear Chennai on 4920, as I flipped down 1 MHz at 1302. Meanwhile, some very weak music was audible on 5920 but nothing listed in Aoki. FCC A-10 schedule shows WHRI here at 23-13, but of course not really for anywhere near that entire span.

5920, R. Rossii, Pet/Kam, already audible at 0708 April 8, immediately recognizable in Russian with motorboating self-QRM. More than an hour before local sunset at 0811 UT per http://www.gaisma.com/en/location/petropavlovsk-kamchatskiy.html whence you can easily find SR/SS and other ephemeral data for anywhere, but be very careful in converting from local times as shown --- Pet/Kam is in the UT +11 zone, but DST in effect, so subtracted 12 hours for UT (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hello, GTRK Kamchatka in Russia has verified my reception report with a proper QSL card (f/d except for transmitter site, but that is unambiguous in this case) after 4 weeks. They also included a nice postcard featuring Petropavlovsk's local volcano, a very pretty view as long as the mountain is quiet. The transmission schedule of regional programmes is handwritten on the back: 0700-0730, 0810-0900, 1100-1130, 1310-1400, 1910-1924, 2010-2100, local time, daily except Sundays.

I heard the station on 6075 kHz in Colorado, which is impossible in Germany due to Deutsche Welle 24/7. Their address on the envelope is GTRK Kamchatka, ul. Sovetskaya 62, 683000 Petropavlovsk-Kamchatskij. I send them a RR in Russian, but as the QSL is in English that should work, too. 73, (Eike Bierwirth, Leipzig, Germany, April 5, HCDX via DXLD)

** RUSSIA. 5930, R Rossii, Monchegorsk, 0504, March 31, Russian, "Novosti Sport". Transmitter still on the air April 1 at 0450 check but switched off after pips 0500 confirming Mikhail Timofeyev's report. However, much to my surprise Archangelsk 6160 continued and was noted with definite Rossii ID at 0700 as usual. 73, (Martien Groot, Schoor, Netherlands, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

5930, 1640-1705 01.04, R Rossii, Monchegorsk, Russian radiodrama, 1700 news, 455323 [sic] // 6160 (Anker Petersen, in Skovlunde, Denmark, on my AOR AR7030PLUS with 28 metres of longwire, via Dario Monferini, playdx yg via DXLD)

** RUSSIA. 6160, 1535-1600 27.03, R Rossii, Arkhangelsk, Russian talk about R Rossii programmes 44343. Best 73, (Anker Petersen, on my AOR AR7030PLUS with 28 metres of longwire here in Skovlunde, Denmark, via Dario Monferini, 1 April, playdx yg via DXLD)

6160, 1640-1705 01.04, R Rossii, Arkhangelsk, Russian radiodrama, 1700 news, 32322, QRM 6155 Arabic + 6165 Croatia and China, // 5930 (Anker Petersen, in Skovlunde, Denmark, on my AOR AR7030PLUS with 28 metres of longwire, via Dario Monferini, playdx yg via DXLD)

** RUSSIA. 13655, Radio Rossii via Taldom, Moscow, new schedule adopted. On new summer A-10 season I noticed Radio Rossii Moscow outlet, nominal registered on 13665 kHz at 0830-1300 UT on 13655 kHz instead - 10 kHz down. Bad choice. Suffers heavily by adjacent powerhouse CRI Albania in English on 13650 kHz at 1100-1300 UT, and Radio Kuwait in the morning too? (Wolfgang B¸schel, March 28/29, df5sx, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews April 2 via DXLD)

Radio Rossii in Russian to W Europe noted today March 28 from 0825

until probably 1300 on new unregistered 13655, instead of 13665 in A-09. Yes, just began Radio Rossii in Russian at 1723 on 7220 kHz.

Checked today in every hour Radio Rossii in Russian and heard:
0400-0800 12070 0823-1300 13655 ! 1322-1700 9470
1722-2100 7220 kHz.

Parts of this schedule were observed on March 28 & 29 too, so it is right broadcast times & freqs.

Observing some of the broadcast times today I found some different data for radio Rossii in Russian program to Europe as follows:

s/on at 0823 on 13655 kHz; next s/on at 1322 on 9470 and s/on at 1722 on 7220 kHz [noted at 2045 UT with S=9+30 dB March 31, wb]

Also noted 0500-0700 \\ on 9535 kHz, instead of Abkhaz radio. Presumed Abkhaz radio with own program is now Mon-Sat 0400-0500 (Sun-0430) and 0700-0810 on 9535 kHz only on SW, but \\ MW 1350 kHz (Rumen Pankov, Bulgaria, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews March 29/30 via DXLD)

Dear Wolfgang, the frequency of 13655 kHz was right as in our adopted schedule (RC-3, Radiocenter 3 Taldom Moscow, March 30, ibid.)

Hello Wolfgang, thank you very much for your message - I have asked our higher leadership about frequency 13655 kHz and they have found their mismatch - there must be 13665 kHz as usually in earlier schedules. Tomorrow our transmitter with program of "Radio Rossii" will be on 13665 kHz (RC-3, Radiocenter 3 Taldom Moscow, April 1, ibid.)

** RUSSIA. Summer A-10 of Radio Rossii in Russian:
0400-0800 12070 MSK 250 kW / 265 deg WeEu
0825-1300 13665 MSK 250 kW / 265 deg WeEu, March 28-April 1 on 13655!
1325-1700 NF 9470 MSK 250 kW / 265 deg WeEu unregistered, instead 9480
1725-2100 NF 7220*MSK 250 kW / 265 deg WeEu unregistered, instead 7215
*co-ch 1730-1800 VOA in Azeri (DX Mix News Bulgaria, 5 April via DXLD)

** RUSSIA. 17525, at 0031 April 5 with ``99 Luft Balloons``, so I bet it`s DW. Uplooked later, yes, DW amid English hour via Komsomolsk/Amure, weak and fluttery (Glenn Hauser, MPDX, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** RUSSIA. Impressive image of 'Lesnoy' Curtain Array
http://static.panoramio.com/photos/original/1021322.jpg
(Ian Baxter, NSW, shortwavesites yg via DXLD)

** RUSSIA. RUSSIAN GOVERNMENT APPROVES EXPEDIENCY OF INTRODUCING DRM

IN RUSSIA --- DRM radio expedient, government says
Apr 1, 2010 12:08 Moscow Time

The Russian government has approved the expediency of introducing the European digital radio system, DRM, in Russia and will draw up national standards for it within two years to come. The Voice of Russia has been broadcasting to Europe in the DRM format since April 2003. The DRM is used by the BBC, Deutsche Welle and Radio France International. http://english.ruvr.ru/2010/04/01/5884377.html
(via Alokesh Gupta, New Delhi, India, April 1, dxldyg via DXLD)

More: http://bit.ly/95YTGL
(Via Yimber Gaviria, Colombia, DXLD)

Seems they are dead set on eliminating analog in only five years (gh)

** RUSSIA. Presumably updated timezone info showing UT +4 eliminated:

World Time + 2 (+3 midyear)
Kaliningradskaya oblast

World Time + 3 (+4 midyear)
Adygeya
Arkhangelskaya oblast
Astrakhanskaya oblast
Belgorodskaya oblast
Bryanskaya oblast
Chechnya
Chuvashiya
Dagestan
Ingushetiya
Kabardino-Balkariya
Kalmykiya
Kaluzhskaya oblast
Karachayevo-Cherkesiya
Ivanovskay oblast
Karelia
Kirovskaya oblast
Komi
Kostromskaya oblast
Krasnodarkiy kray
Kurskaya oblast
Leningradskaya oblast
Lipetskaya oblast
Mariy-El
Mordoviya
Moskovskaya oblast
Murmanskaya oblast

Neneskiy
Nizhegorodskaya oblast
Novgorodskaya oblast
Severnaya Osetiya
Orlovskaya oblast
Penzenskaya oblast
Pskovskaya oblast
Rostovskaya oblast
Ryazanskaya oblast
Saratovskaya oblast
Samarskaya oblast
Smolenskaya oblast
Stavropolskiy oblast
Tambovskaya oblast
Tatarstan
Tulskaya oblast
Tverskaya oblast
Udmurtiya
Ulyanovskaya oblast
Vladimirskaya oblast
Volgogradskaya oblast
Voronezhskaya oblast
Yaroslavskaya oblast

World Time + 4 (+5 midyear) [NONE]

World Time + 5 (+6 midyear)
Bashkortostan
Chelyabinskaya oblast
Khanty-Mansiyskiy
Komi-Permskaya oblast
Sverdlovskaya oblast
Tyumenskaya oblast
Yamalo-Nenetskiy avt. kray

World Time + 6 (+7 midyear)
Altayskiy kray
Altayskaya oblast
Novosibirskaya oblast
Omskaya oblast
Tomskaya oblast
Kemerovskaya oblast

World Time + 7 (+8 midyear)
Evenkiyskiy
Khakasiya
Krasnoyarskiy kray
Taymyrskiy

Tyva

World Time + 8 (+9 midyear)
Buryatiya oblast
Irkutskaya oblast
Ust-Ordynskiy

World Time + 9 (+10 midyear)
Aginskiy-Buryatskiy
Amurskaya oblast
Chetinskaya oblast
Sakha

World Time + 10 (+11 midyear)
Khabarovskiy kray
Primorskiy kray
Yevreyskaya Avt. oblast

World Time + 11 (+12 midyear)
Magadanskaya oblast
Sakhalinskaya oblast
Chukotskiy
Kamchatskaya oblast
Koryakskiy
(Source? Via RusDX 28 March via DXLD)

** SAINT HELENA. 1548 kHz, Radio St. Helena, 0800 UT heard with morning show welcoming the Queen Mary 2 to Jamestown. MP3 recorder is rolling. Rare DX catch from 1/2 mile west of town on the QM2. Seas are calm. Expecting to go ashore soon (Joe Buch, South Atlantic, March 30, Swprograms mailing list via DXLD)

** SAUDI ARABIA. 0300-1500 UT on 9715/11785 kHz are not in use in the past two weeks (but 11785 kHz was with "buzzy". The ARS effect may be observed daily at 1153 UT on both 21670 kHz, and spur on 21740 kHz when the National Anthem of Saudi Arabia is traced and close-down at 1155 UT. On 21740 kHz were heard two programs from 21600 and from 21670 Quran and in Indonesian:
formula 21670 x 2 = 43340 kHz minus 21600 = 21740 kHz. There are also other mixtures in 13 m.b. on March 26 (Rumen Pankov, Bulgaria, March 29, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews April 2 via DXLD)

17615, UNID Arabic phone-in at 1437 UT. But traced 22 and 19 mb, and discovered \\ BSKSA Riyadh program on 13710 kHz. So seems additional HQ program at 1400-1600 UT (Wolfgang B¸schel, March 29/30, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews April 2 via DXLD)

Re 10-13: ``17705, lo-fi talk in Arabic, March 29 at 1452, S9+15 and

gone at next check 1529. It`s BSKSA on new frequency at 12-15 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)``

Although this one on 17705 has a discussion and renditions of the Koran at 1330 UT, it is the Saudi Main Arabic programme, as it isn't parallel with the Koran programme on 15380 or 17895. But 21 MHz is not propagating well today and I cannot hear a strong enough signal to parallel it with other Saudi outlets on that band. TS (one second late!) and ID, followed by news at 1400, is heard. This would appear to be an additional frequency for the Main programme and may replace one of their 21 MHz channels. It's strong enough here to be intended for Europe (Noel R. Green (NW England), March 30, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SEYCHELLES [non]. 9550, Arabic music and talk with an instruxional tone, April 6 at 2018, fair signal next to better CVC error on 9540. FEBA is still scheduled in Arabic 1900-2030 via RWANDA, 250 kW at 30 degrees (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SINGAPORE. 9740, BBCWS English April 8 at 1433 was stuck in a loop of two syllables over and over in a YL(?) voice, sounds like ``pucky pucky``, or something similar. Ain`t The Digital Age wunnerful? This continued unrelenting until 1442 when finally resumed a great variety of syllables put together in an order such that a programme about severe loss due to weather of Mongolian livestock such as sheep could make rational sense. RCI also had an anomaly on 31m at this time; see CANADA (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SOLOMON ISLANDS. 5019.96, SIBC, 1145-1200 Apr 1. Vocal music, M announcer; YL from 1155 to 1158, followed by ID and what sounded like close-down announcement and anthem; open carrier after 1200. Fair at best with splat from Cuba (John Wilkins, Wheat Ridge, Colorado, Drake R-8, 100-foot random wire, Cumbredx mailing list via DXLD)

** SOMALIA [non]. VenerdÏ 19 marzo 2010, *1600 - 9960 kHz (B09) (A10 9930), RADIO BAR-KULAN - Meyerton (Sud Africa), Annunci, Corano e canti. Segnale sufficiente-buono, QRM WYFR 9955+UNID CC 9965. Modulazione un po' bassa. Strano ronzio. Problema a Meyerton o jamming? (Luca Botto Fiora, G.C. 09E13 - 44N21, Rapallo (Genova), Italia, April 2, playdx yg via DXLD)

** SOUTH AFRICA. 7310, BBCWS in English with Network Africa, fairly good April 5 until cut off abruptly at 0551, back on at 0553 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SOUTH AFRICA. MEYERTON AS A FILMING LOCATION --- Dear DXers, yesterday I watched a movie "Duma (2005)" on a local TV channel, and at the beginning and 2 minutes before the end of that movie I saw some

wonderful shots of MEYERTON HF TRANSMITTING STATION's antennas!
http://www.imdb.com/title/tt0361715/locations
confirms South Africa as filming location. Regards,
(Dragan Lekic, Serbia, March 29, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SPAIN. ESPA—A ABANDONA LA TV ANAL"GICA

El prÛximo 2 de abril en EspaÒa no habr· ya TV analÛgica, toda ser· digital. Ayer cerraron los centros emisores de Madrid, Barcelona y Sevilla aunque todos los canales analÛgicos emitÌan desde hace aÒos en digital. Hoy aparecen los antiguos canales sin audio y con una imagen que lleva el siguiente texto:

La programaciÛn de televisiÛn analÛgica ha dejado de emitirse por este canal. Puede seguir visualizando este programa en TDT.
M·s informaciÛn en el 901 201 004

En Madrid se puede ver por TDT (televisiÛn digital terrestre) un total de 35 canales de TV y oir 17 radios (todas ellas presentes en FM)
Se puede consultar el directorio de toda EspaÒa en
http://www.tdt1.com/

El histÛrico centro emisor de La Bola del Mundo, Navacerrada, Madrid propiedad de RTVE no emitir· en TV digital y por allÌ solo est·n activos 4 transmisores de radio en FM. Se desconoce el futuro de dichas instalaciones. M·s informaciÛn en:
http://www.elpais.com/articulo/Pantallas/43/millones/espanoles/han/con
ectado/TDT/elpepurtv/20100331elpepirtv_3/Tes
(via Juan Antonio Arranz, Spain, March 31, playdx yg via DXLD)

LA TDT REINA YA EN TODA ESPA—A 02-04-2010

La televisiÛn en sistema analÛgico ha dejado de emitir en 745 municipios de Asturias, Galicia, Castilla y LeÛn y Santa Cruz de Tenerife, donde residen 3,3 millones de personas. AsÌ que desde ahora sÛlo puede captarse la seÒal digital en todo el paÌs, dos aÒos antes de lo previsto por la UniÛn Europea.

"En el dÌa de hoy, EspaÒa culmina un proceso que supone un cambio histÛrico y nos sit˙a como uno de los paÌses lÌderes de Europa y el mundo. Somos un paÌs digital", ha enfatizado el secretario de Estado de Telecomunicaciones y para la sociedad de la InformaciÛn, Francisco Ros.

Esta medianoche se habr· completado la transiciÛn a la televisiÛn digital terrestre en todo el paÌs, que ha durado cinco aÒos aproximadamente y ha supuesto una inversiÛn de12.000 millones de euros y la creaciÛn de 40.000 empleos, seg˙n datos de Industria.

Esto no ha evitado, sin embargo, algunas incidencias de sintonizaciÛn, que pueden deberse a causas tÈcnicas domÈsticas (adaptaciÛn de antenas y televisores), de los centros emisores o a la orografÌa, caso en que se suele recurrir al satÈlite.

Enviado por Francisco Piuzzi, Chile, http://bit.ly/cIsjUf (Via Yimber Gaviria, Colombia, April 2, DXLD)

That also abolishes a powerful channel E2 signal which was TV-DXed all over when analog (gh, DXLD)

** SPAIN [and non]. We keep finding REE in frequency conflicts, which leads us to believe there is something deficient in their shortwave frequency planning and management, tho certainly not 100% their fault.

12015, April 2 at 1858 a US Government editorial in English on VOA, about Nigeria, well over the always-running radioteletype, and mixing with REE IS underneath. Then VOA into sign-off routine, 1900 timesignal and REE opening Arabic, M-F only, but it`s underneath the RTTY here.

9690, April 2 at 2039, about equal levels between a station in French and one in English. French was talking about homophobie, not // RFI on 21690. At 2047 the other one played some Romanian folk music, soon accompanied by RRI ID. At 2056 the RRI IS was mixing with REE giving its address in French and then its own IS until 2057* while RRI was on a bit longer and briefly in the clear.

How could two European transmitters of 250 and 300 kW be on the same frequency at the same time? Perhaps because RRI`s 2030 English broadcast at 307 degrees is supposedly targeted at eastern North America only, a rather early hour for that, and of course, also perfectly targeted and much better timed for UK.

Spain is aiming 110 degrees for north and central Africa, Mideast, so they couldn`t possibly overlap, right? Directly off the back from Noblejas is 290 degrees, USward. At least the latter is M-F only (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1507, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

REE`s Spanish DX program Amigos de la Onda Corta has not made a one-hour-earlier DST change this A-season, but still at 0605 UT Saturdays as in B-season, followed by Correo del Oyente mailbag at 0630. Now we can only get it on 5965 via COSTA RICA, unless Spain direct propagate on 11895, 12035 aimed eastward, not tonight.

Fortunately, the Vaticollision on 5965 was not a problem altho supposedly still on the air at this hour in A-season, due to poor

propagation from Europe and/or earlier sunrise fading it out.

Amigos had host Antonio Buitrago with some DX news at 0613. The only other scheduled broadcast of it is Sunday 1230 on numerous frequencies, 21610 21570 21540 15585 15170-CR 13720 11910-China 11815-CR 9765-CR, so it no longer competes as it did thruout B-09 season with RHC`s Spanish DX program at 1335. But there is NO other airing of the mailbag on the REE A-10 grid (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SRI LANKA. SLBC BEAMS TO LANKANS IN KOREA
Ishara JAYAWARDANE http://www.dailynews.lk/2010/04/01/news22.asp

The Sri Lanka Broadcasting Corporation ceremonially launched a new program to broadcast its services to Korea last Sunday. The event was held at the Sri Lanka Broadcasting Corporation premises under the patronage of South Korean Ambassador Choi Ki Chul.

"We will broadcast our programs to Korea for Sri Lankan expatriates/ Sinhala listeners," said Sri Lanka Broadcasting Corporation Chairman Hudson Samarasinghe.

This is basically a magazine program which features Sri Lankan songs, Sri Lankan news and currency rates. This program aims at providing entertainment and information to the 75,000 Sri Lankan migrant workers.

This program aims at providing an open forum for participation. Through this program the migrant workers can send messages to their family members in Sri Lanka. The people in Sri Lanka can listen to the voices of family members living in Korea. Some of the programs aim at providing Sri Lankan workers in Korea with information on how to use and save money.

This is a live program done in SLBC premises and is broadcast to Korea via the German Transmitter Station Deutschwelle which belongs to the German Government. According to the agreement the SLBC has with this broadcasting station, (Deutschwelle) will be providing services without charge for one hour.

At the same time CityFm service also broadcasts this program to Sri Lanka. The Lankans can listen to the voices of family members living in Korea.

Samarasinghe added that it is a shortwave station and that they are using shortwave to broadcast this one hour program from four to five in the evening. By tuning into 15120 shortwave frequency anyone in Sri Lanka and Korea can listen to the program. "It is our responsibility

to look after our migrant workers. This is our obligation. We must do something for these people," he pointed out (via Alokesh Gupta, New Delhi, dxldyg via DXLD)

``The broadcast from 1030 to 1130 UT is transmitted from the Deutsche Welle Trincomalee facility on 15120 kHz and is heard in Sri Lanka on FM 92.2 MHz.``

Dear Victor, but registration differs as Ekala instead...

Ekala in Sinhala on 15120 kHz 35 kW at 80 degrees at 1030-1130 UT to zone 19 [latter towards USSR, North of 60 deg, 30-50 deg East]. Regards de wolfy (Wolfgang B¸schel, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SRI LANKA. 7190 / 11905, SLBC, Ekala, 0107-0116 April 1, 2010. Both about equal level -- weak but clear -- with Hindi Service programming, subcontinental vocals (Terry L Krueger, Clearwater, Florida, USA, 27.55.83 N, 82.46.08 W, April 2, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SUDAN. 7200, R Omdurman, 1523, April 06, Arabic on clear freq to 1530 abrupt off. Then returned 1730, in Arabic again but continued in unID vernacular 1732, mentioning Darfur so often that I was beginning to think this might be some special service directed to that area? 73, (Martien Groot, Schoorl, Netherlands, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST) See also UNIDENTIFIED 7200

** SUDAN [non]. via Slovakia, 15710, Miraya FM, *1407-1430+, April 1, appeared to sign on at 1407 with ID announcements. Arabic talk. Local music. ìMirayaî jingles. Weak signal (Brian Alexander, PA, DX Listening Digest)

** SWAZILAND. 3240, 0325-0341* 02.04, TWR, Mpangela Ranch, Ndau religious talk, hymns by choir, TWR IS and English ID twice, 45333

4775, 0355-0410 02.04, TWR, Mpangela Ranch, Lomwe/English/German, Lomwe hymn by choir, TWR IS 0359, English ID: "This is Trans World Radio, Swaziland. The following programme is from our German Service, followed by a programme from our English Service." 0400 pause, 0401 German programme started with hyms 45333 (Anker Petersen, in Skovlunde, Denmark, on my AOR AR7030PLUS with 28 metres of longwire, via Dario Monferini, playdx yg via DXLD) See also USA: WWCR

** SWEDEN [and non]. In the middle of switching my database. It's almost done. Here is last week`s show with George Wood from Radio Sweden.

http://ia331219.us.archive.org/1/items/TheHappyStationShowSpecialGuestGeorgeWoodOfRadioSweden/

HappyStationWithGuestGeorgeWood.mp3
(Keith Perron, Happy Station, April 6, dxldyg via DXLD)

FEWER, BUT STRONGER, LANGUAGE SERVICES FROM SWEDISH RADIO

Radio Sweden has published the following information on its website concerning its plans beyond 31 October:

Swedish Radioís international broadcasts on short and medium wave will close down from October 31, 2010. This is part of a decision by Swedish Radioís management on our output and distribution announced on March 16 this year.

This means that from October 31, Radio Swedenís programming in English will be broadcast nationally (on FM), as well as available on the Internet, and our podcast will be available here and on iTunes for downloading.

ìI want to strengthen our quality and competence, including in Arabic, which is the most important language for new arrivals in Swedenî, says Ingemar Lˆfgren, head of SR International. ìIt is important to strengthen the broadcasts for the listener groups who need it the most, such as Somalis. In addition I want to give a higher profile to the official minority language Romani, which will shortly start daily broadcasts.î

From the Fall Swedish Radioís output in immigrant languages will change, with resources concentrated on fewer languages than previously. This is the result of the latest review of SR Internationalís programming. Swedish Radio will also be ending broadcasts in short and medium wave, and will instead concentrate on Internet webcasting.

ìThe number of languages broadcast by Swedish Radio has changed over time, in order to adapt to changes in the world around us,î says Swedish Radioís Program Director Bjˆrn Lˆfdahl. ìThis is the way it is now, and will be in the future.î

ìWe have to be where the audience is, and today our audience in the rest of the world is on the Web,î Bjˆrn Lˆfdahl continues. ìIt doesnít feel relevant to broadcast on short or medium wave, and it isnít economically defendable or journalistically justified. Now the money can be directed to where it is needed.î

After the latest review, Swedish Radio will broadcast in the following languages from October 31, 2010:

* English - FM and web
* Finnish - FM and web

* Me%nkieli (Tornedalen Finnish) - FM and web
* Sami - FM and web
* Romani - FM and web
* Arabic - FM and web
* Somali - FM and web
* Persian - FM and web
* Kurdish - FM and web
* German - web
* Russian - web

The following language services will close:
* Albanian
* Assyrian/Aramaic
* Bosnian-Croatian-Serbian (Source: Radio Sweden)(April 6th, 2010 - 10:35 UTC by Andy Sennitt, Media Network blog via DXLD)

8 Comments on ìFewer, but stronger, language services from Swedish Radioî

#1 Kai Ludwig on Apr 6th, 2010 at 12:11
Another question: Will programmes in English and Russian still be distributed via WRN channels (WRN English and Vsemirnaya Radioset, respectively)?

This announcement seems to suggest ìnoî, besides the question if there will still be 30 minutes long broadcasts in Russian at all (I think this must be doubted, since in German there are not). If this is indeed the case, if these WRN rebroadcasts go away with the MW/SW transmissions as a matter of course, it would certainly be something to think about.

#2 ruud on Apr 6th, 2010 at 14:01
The story reports that SR (international) carries many transmissions on FM. Is this international broadcasting or just national/local?

#3 Andy Sennitt on Apr 6th, 2010 at 15:44
SR International produces programmes for immigrants to Sweden which are carried on FM, in addition to programmes for overseas listeners. The immigrant languages broadcast on the domestic service are reviewed every three years or so.

#4 ruud on Apr 6th, 2010 at 18:20
Thanks Andy for your info. But doesnít this make SR Int more a domestic broadcaster then International?

#5-6 Roy Sandgren on Apr 7th, 2010 at 06:08
Radio Sweden International is on FM in Stockholm only. There will be other stations and programs from the SW and 1179 kHz MW TX.

#7 Andy Sennitt on Apr 7th, 2010 at 09:22
Roy, the Radio Sweden website says ìThis means that from October 31, Radio Swedenís programming in English will be broadcast nationally (on FM)î so presumably that means there are going to be changes to the current situation?

#8 Roy Sandgren on Apr 7th, 2010 at 10:03
Hi Andy, no frequencies are aviable to Radio Sweden nationally on FM. Radio Sweden is on-air in Stockholm with a max. 1 kW on 89,xx MHz. Some immigrant programs are aired on the national FM, but a few hours weekly (Media Network blog comments via DXLD)

** SWEDEN [non]. Swedes vs. gospel-huxters: Heard RS relay via Madagascar, barely audible, on new 9505 underneath Harold Droning garbage on Wwhy?FR, noted in Swedish at 0100, with English 0130 to follow, // 6010-SAC relay (Joe Hanlon, NJ, March 30, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SYRIA. 9330, Radio Damascus, *2102-2115+, April 3, sign on with National Anthem followed by opening English announcements. Local music. News at 2107. Usual poor, weak audio. 12085 not heard (Brian Alexander, PA, DX Listening Digest)

** SYRIA. RADIO DAMASCUS TIMES AND FREQUENCIES A10

Dear radio friends, Here is the schedule of Radio Damascus for the broadcasting season A10. No changes have been made in times and / or frequencies. So the A10 schedule is the same as the B09 schedule.

Radio Damascus is still aware of the problems with the shortwave transmitters (weak modulation) and the bad reception quality due to the very low audio. They are working towards a solution so please stay tuned as hopefully a solution will be introduced in the course of this year.

The times and frequencies of Radio Damascus are as follows :

1600-1700 UTC/GMT Turkish daily 9330 Khz, 12085 Khz and satellite
1700-1800 UTC/GMT Russian daily 9330 Khz, 12085 Khz and satellite
1800-1900 UTC/GMT German daily 9330 Khz, 12085 Khz and satellite
1900-2000 UTC/GMT French daily 9330 Khz, 12085 Khz and satellite
2000-2100 UTC/GMT English daily on satellite
2100-2200 UTC/GMT English daily 9330 Khz, 12085 Khz and satellite
2200-2300 UTC/GMT Spanish daily 9330 Khz, 12085 Khz and satellite

(shortwave is irregular so most of the time only one of the two transmitters is on air)

783 Khz Mediumwave :
1600 - 1830 UTC/GMT Hebrew
1830 - 1900 UTC/GMT Russian

Satellite
Hot Bird at 13.0 E : 12380 Mhz
Nilesat at 7.0 W : 11823 Mhz
Badr / Arabsat at 26.0 E : 12054 Mhz
Asiasat 2 at 100.5 E : 3820 Mhz

Shortwave 9330 Khz / 31 meter band and 12085 Khz / 25 meter band
Mediumwave 783 Khz

Or you can download the audio recording of the daily program on the internet at the following direct links :
http://www.syriaonline.sy/radio.php or at
http://www.radio-damascus.net

Radio Damascus' English, Spanish and German program are now also available as a podcast :
http://radiodamascusenglish.podomatic.com (English program)
http://aquidamasco.podomatic.com (Spanish program)
http://radio700.eu/podcasts/damaskus/damaskus.xml (German program)

The Radio Damascus staff does highly value when you write to them with your commentaries about the programs or reception reports about the transmissions. Their address is :

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http://groups.yahoo.com/group/radio_damascus

http://www.syriaonline.sy (RTV English Website)
http://www.rtv.gov.sy (RTV Arabic Website)
http://www.syriaonline.sy/radio.php (audio recordings)

http://radiodamascusenglish.podomatic.com (English program)
http://aquidamasco.podomatic.com (Spanish program)
http://radio700.eu/podcasts/damaskus/damaskus.xml (German program)

Greetings (Kris Janssen, Belgium, April 4, WORLD OF RADIO 1507, DX

LISTENING DIGEST)

Dear Radio Damascus friends, One of the shortwave transmitters of Radio Damascus, operating on 12085, has been experiencing technical problems since last week. The chief engineer at the Adra transmitter site decided to take the transmitter from the air for extensive maintenance and repair work. The maintenance and repair work will take approximately a week. They are working hard to bring the transmitter back in the air as soon as possible. The second transmitter, operating on 9330, is functioning as normal. Please tune in on 9330 kHz to listen to Radio Damascus. I will let you know when the second transmitter at 12085 will be back on air (Kris Janssen, Belgium, April 8, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** TAIWAN. RTI QSL and T-shirt Contest --- Radio Taiwan International (RTI) is giving away a limited number of T-shirts and Special QSL Cards to the listeners around the world to thank you for the support of the radio station under "Listen to RTI and Win a T-shirt" Contest.

To enter for a chance to win a T-shirt, you can send an email or a reception report about the reception condition in your part of the world. RTI will send you a Qualified Shortwave Listener (QSL) card along with a contest entry card. Return the contest entry card back to RTI with your name and mailing address. There is no limit to the number of entries listeners can send. Photocopies of the card, however, will not be accepted.

Deadline: Mail your contest entry card to RTI with a postmark between April 1, 2010 and August 15, 2010 to enter the drawing. More Details on http://www.rti.org.tw/big5/2010Activity/2010QSL/english.aspx

Enjoy RTI and win the contest. 73 from (Ashik Eqbal Tokon, Rajshahi, Bangladesh, April 2, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

So that`s what ``QSL`` means, at least upon Formosa (gh, DXLD)

** TAIWAN [and non]. Why SW being dropped to North America?
  [NO, not by Taiwan; yet. Read on ñ-]

When you look at what is on the SW bands to North America, it's just a shadow to what it was a few years ago. Why has this happened? Sure, budgets have a lot to do with the decisions to cut SW to the US/Canada, but we also need to look at audience numbers. Broadcasters like RNW, DW, RFI and BBC do regular listener surveys, which have shown that SW audiences have dropped dramatically. I know some people might say they live in a part of the US or Canada where broadband is not available, but when you consider how small a population this is, a small handful of listeners who cannot access programming by new

technology is unimportant.

Considering that for many years people received programs for free with someone else paying the bill, I wonder if people in the US or Canada would complain if their taxes were as high as the rest of the western world.

As an example, if you were to meet someone from the Netherlands and complain to them you could no longer hear RNW on SW, because SW was dropped, how could you justify to them to have their taxes go to fund SW broadcasts? The US and Canada have some of the lowest taxes in the west.

Even here in Taiwan recently, Radio Taiwan International has come under the microscope, when one of RTI's electric bills for its transmitters was leaked to the local press. Questions are now being asked if states taxes should be spent to fund RTI? And how does it serve Taiwan's interests to broadcast on SW.

RTI's budget in 2009 was 120NT million (almost 3 million Euros); now compared to others this is very small, almost half goes to the Taipei Power Company. People here are now asking questions like, what is the point to broadcast on SW? Why not spend this money on local programs like health care, education or road works. How would you respond to the population of 22 million to justify these tax dollars being spent? (Keith Perron, Taiwan, April 5, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

How would I respond? I would respond: TOURISM DOLLARS. I know that the "armchair traveler" is a listener constituency that you disdain, but it's the shortwave armchair traveler that gets an interest in actual travel when he hears enticing things about a locality via radio.

I now draw your attention to the current national tourism position Rudy Espinal enjoys post-Radio ClarÌn because he was quite a whiz at it. Tom Meijer was another.

What's true about past years in North America is that travel was more enjoyed. It's what made ANARC conventions worth going to. Not so today, but you can't deny that those who continue to travel also regard radio tourism as a sort of travel brochure. Keith, it's time you acknowledge that the armchair traveler is more important than you give 'm credit for (Clara Listensprechen, ibid.)

So buy more time on other transmitters if the electricity is cheaper; like WYFR? And give you better coverage afar. Do you want to keep Taiwan on the world map? Cutting your own throat so no one can hear you would not be helpful. Broadcasting is *supposed* to be free --- to the audience (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** TAIWAN [non]. FRANCE/TAIWAN, 15225, R Taiwan International via Issoudun France in Russian language. 500 kW powerful beast, S=9+10dB in the dead skip zone Germany. 1400-1500 UT (Wolfgang B¸schel, Stuttgart, Germany, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** TAIWAN [and non]. FALUN GONG ILLEGAL BROADCASTS FROM TAIWAN ROC

For a number of years now, as you may know or not, Falun Gong broadcasts to China using converted amateur radio equipment. One part of the bands they love to use is the ham bands which because of jamming from China interferes with civilian and some emergency communications in Taiwan. The other is to use frequencies 5 or 10 kHz away from legal broadcasts.

Just the other day I was talking with someone in the US who asked the question, Why does the Taiwan's National Communication Commission not do anything? Well, this has two answers.

Now unofficially the ROC government would love nothing more than see these people leave. But if they were to take action and close them down, they would have a political backlash they would lose any support and people would say that Taiwan is giving in to China.

The official answer is: Well if the US and EU would support Taiwan to join the International Telecommunication Union (ITU), then we would take action. A number of times I was told by government officials, why should we do anything, if you support China to block us each time to join any international frequency organizations.

How dare the US tell us what to do and also prevent us from entering any framework to deal with the problem legally? As long as we are not a member, we can do what we want. This is also the attitude of 76% of the population, from a survey taken in February by the Apple Daily. The same goes for the frequency management department at RTI. They respond the same way (Keith Perron, Taiwan, March 31, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Have you followed the Firedrake, ergo SOH frequencies we have been reporting constantly under CHINA in DXLD? Very little of this is in the hambands any more, due to pressure from IARUMS, the organized ham intruder-watching network. They are either inside the broadcast bands or in the utility bands, e.g. 8400 maritime, 10400 fixed, or aeronautical, such as 9000 kHz (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

They still pop up from time to time on the ham bands. The CTARL at their meeting last week had two members reporting on interference on FG on the 16 and 22 MB (Keith Perron, ibid.)

I guess FG means Falun Gong, but 16 and 22 m are not hambands (gh)

** TAJIKISTAN. VenerdÏ 2 aprile 2010 1415 - 7485 kHz, BIBLE VOICE - Yangi Yul (Tagikistan), Hindi, tk YL/OM. Segnale sufficiente. Modulazione un po' bassa. Solo venerdÏ (Luca Botto Fiora, G.C. 09E13 - 44N21, Rapallo (Genova), Italia, April 2, playdx yg via DXLD)

** TAJIKISTAN. 4765, RADIO TAJIKISTAN. Yanguiyul. 0118-0140 abril 2. Fuerte seÒal presentando m˙sica, con voz femenina con algo como declamaciones. A las 0130 voz masculina con al parecer noticias. Una corta pero clara ID como "Radioi Tajikiston". ContinuÛ m˙sica (Rafael RodrÌguez R., Fomeque, Cundinamarca (90 km al suroriente de Bogot·) con el Sony ICF 2010 y antena hilo de 10 metros, playdx yg via DXLD)

4765, 1956 April 5 with folk songs similar to Persian, second song emphasized dunya (world). Good audio and S9, 45423. Sudden s/off 2200 (Zacharias Liangas, Thessaloniki, Greece, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** THAILAND. 9575, HSK9 R. Thailand in English via Udorn at 132 degrees, weak but clear, April 3 at 1410 with CRI and R. Australia out of the way from adjacents (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9575, HSK9 R. Thailand, 1401, 4/4/10. Fluttery signal with YL in English presenting presumed news. Faded until gone by 1429. Thx Glenn Hauser tip (Jerry Strawman, Des Moines, IA, Drake R8B, Wellbrook 330S Loop, Par SWL Random Wire, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15275, Radio Thailand, 0007-0030, April 3, tune-in to English news. Very weak. Dropped down to a barely audible threshold level at 0030 when they switch their antenna beam heading toward Western NAm (Brian Alexander, PA, DX Listening Digest)

** TIBET [non]. 6010, CNR-11 (Tibetan Service) via Baoji-Sifangshan (China), 1443, April 2. ìHoly Tibetî program; segment ìTibet Storiesî. // 7350, which for A10 is now free of QRM, but clear frequency came too late for me, as in a few weeks this program from 1430 to 1500 will be unusable due to too much daylight; will have to wait till later in the year to hear ìHoly Tibetî again.

6200, Xizang PBS via Lhasa, 1530, April 4. ìThis is China Tibet Broadcasting English program, Holy Tibetî; poor. This program from 1530 to 1600 will shortly be unusable for me due to too much daylight; will have to wait till later in the year to hear ìHoly Tibetî again (Ron Howard, Asilomar Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** TIBET [non]. MartedÏ 23 marzo 2010, *1330 - 15430 (B09) // 11925

kHz, CNR 1? vs. Voice of Tibet (not heard). Segnale molto buono. Now as jammer vs. Voice of Tibet is also used CNR1 alt. to FD??? (Luca Botto Fiora, G.C. 09E13 - 44N21, Rapallo (Genova), Italia, April 2, playdx yg via DXLD)

** TUNISIA. Summer A-10 of RTTunisia in Arabic:
0400-0610 on 9725 SFA 250 kW / 100 deg to N/ME
0400-0610 on 12005 SFA 500 kW / 100 deg to N/ME
0500-0730 on 7275 SFA 500 kW / 340 deg to WeEu
0700-0830 on 7335 SFA 500 kW / 265 deg to NoAf
1700-2110 on 9725 SFA 250 kW / 100 deg to N/ME
1700-2110 on 12005 SFA 500 kW / 100 deg to N/ME
1800-2210 on 7225 SFA 500 kW / 340 deg to WeEu
2000-0010 on 7345 SFA 500 kW / 265 deg to NoAf
(DX Mix News, Bulgaria, April 7 via DXLD)

Is this the official schedule, or the monitored schedule? They are never the same, very different open and close times on each (gh)

** TURKEY. Updated summer A-10 schedule for Voice of Turkey:

ARABIC	0900-0955	on	11690	11750	
	1400-1455	on	9540	17770	
AZERI	0700-0755	on	11730		
	1530-1625	on	9530		
BULGARIAN	1100-1125	on	7210		
CHINESE	1100-1155	on	15180		
DARI	1500-1525	on	11765		
ENGLISH	0300-0355	on	5975	6165	(7325 SAC deleted from A-10)
	1230-1325	on	15450	15520	
	1830-1925	on	9785		
	2030-2125	on	7205		
	2200-2255	on	9830		
FRENCH	1930-2025	on	9535	9635	
GEORGIAN	1000-1055	on	9655		
GERMAN	1130-1225	on	13760		
	1730-1825	on	11835		
ITALIAN	1400-1425	on	9610		
KAZAKH	1330-1355	on	11880		
PASHTO	1530-1555	on	11765		
PERSIAN	0830-0955	on	11795		
	1500-1555	on	9765		
RUSSIAN	1300-1355	on	11965		
SPANISH	0100-0155	on	9770	9870	
	1630-1725	on	11930		
TATAR	1000-1025	on	13770		
TURKISH	0000-0155	on	7260		
	0400-0555	on	6040	11980	
	0600-0855	on	11750	11955	13635

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            1300-1555 on  9840
            1600-1855 on  5960  9460
            1900-2055 on  5960  9460
TURKMEN     1200-1225 on 11825
URDU        1200-1255 on 13710
UYGHUR      0200-0255 on  7200
            1400-1455 on 15180
UZBEK       1030-1055 on 15280
            1600-1625 on 11765
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(DX Mix News, Bulgaria, April 7 via DXLD)

11955, TRT «akirlar in Turkish to foreign workers in NE/ME worked overtime, scheduled 0600-1300 UT, but also on air til 1400 UT today Apr 2. Broadband coverage and some peak spurs on 11941 to 11972 kHz range of 25 mb (Wolfgang B¸schel, Stuttgart, Germany, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Checking whether VOT has really shifted its programming so a new day starts on the 22 UT broadcast the day before, it and the 03 UT repeat carrying the new day rather than the previous day`s programs, as Seref Isler claimed on last week`s DX Corner:

NO: UT Sat April 3 on live webcast, but also on 5975 if that had been more convenient to monitor, at 0312 I heard ``Turkish Album``, a talk about the disappearing art of inlaying mother-of-pearl, with some music breaks but that`s not what Album refers to; at 0331 ``Household Environmentalist``, Seref with greenish tips. These are both `Friday` programs, as per the current printed schedule folder (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** UGANDA. 4975.97, 2340-0100 29-30.03 UBC R, Kampala vernacular / English, All night programme that night with Afropop and phone-in's "Good Morning to you", "How are you ?" 34333, QRM 4980 Urumqi in Uighur (Anker Petersen, on my AOR AR7030PLUS with 28 metres of longwire here in Skovlunde, Denmark, via Dario Monferini, 1 April, playdx yg via DXLD)

Is this consistently all-night? Seldom if ever reported at this hour in North America (gh, DXLD)

4976, UBC radio, 2003 April 5 with hilife song, OM mentioning radio music, 2007 talks in vernacular with echoed jingle, refs to Sumba, Tanzania, then hilife song, S9 45434 (Zacharias Liangas, Thessaloniki, Greece, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** UGANDA [non]. A reminder that the new Ugandan clandestine Radio Y'Abaganda (Ababaka), is imminent for weekly broadcast Sat 1700-1800

via France 15410. Details in latest DXLD 10-13. Should be audible in North America tho propagation is not so hot today. Of particular interest will be whether any of it is in English (Glenn Hauser, 1621 UT April 3, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Pop/jazz music ran a bit past 1659 from previous 15410 occupant, DW English scheduled via Rampisham. Then much weaker signal at 1700, really too weak and I am not even sure it was modulated. Carrier break for less than a minute at 1702, and afterwards still can`t copy anything. Should be better further east (Glenn Hauser, ibid.)

April 3, on 15410 from 1729 to tune-out at 1738, heard a non-stop recorded loop consisting of a brief IS of tones and man with assume ID, but too weak to make out what was said nor what the language was; very poor reception. Was this them? (Ron Howard, EtÛn E5 with just whip antenna, Asilomar Beach, CA, USA, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1507, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Same heard here from 1701 to 1738 with tape loop saying "We're sorry, you've reached a station that is unavailable at this time. Please try again later". This was repeated over and over again with "Live 365" jingle in between. At approx 1738 programming started abruptly in vernaculars (Dave Kenny, UK, ibid.)

Next check at 1740, signal no better than before, very weak and fadey, but definitely modulated now with spirited discussion in presumed Luganda (Glenn Hauser, WORLD OF RADIO 1507, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Just returned from sauna and caught last few minutes of the program on 15410 around 1757. Rather distorted audio quality, two men talking in local language. English - yes, but only when they referred to "frequency 15410" and "shortwave". Some background noise also there, telephone ringing and a doorbell or income tone. Web address they gave sounded like ababaka.com, noted by Glenn earlier (Jari, Finland, Savolainen, 1820 UT April 3, dxldyg via DX WORLD OF RADIO 1507, LISTENING DIGEST)

** UKRAINE. 5800, endless ID tape recording of WRN football coverage service noted via Kiev? site, at Sunday 1720-1730 UT (Wolfgang B¸schel March 29, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews April 2 via DXLD)

** UKRAINE. Operational A-10 schedule of Radio Ukraine International:
0000-0458 on 7420 KHR 100 kW / 055 deg to RUSS
0500-0758 on 9840 KHR 100 kW / 290 deg to WeEu
0800-1258 on 11620#KHR 100 kW / 277 deg to WeEu
1300-1658 on 9420&KHR 100 kW / 055 deg to RUSS
1700-1958 on 7440^KHR 100 kW / 290 deg to WeEu
2000-2358 on 6145*KHR 100 kW / 290 deg to WeEu

2300-0258 on 7440 LV 600 kW / 303 deg to NoAm
#co-ch 0900-1258 CRI in Japanese, 1215-1258 AIR in Burmese
&co-ch 1300-1658 VOG in Greek
^co-ch 1900-1958 CRI in Hungarian/Romanian
*co-ch 2000-2158 CRI Polish/Albanian/Hungarian, 2200-2300 VOR Russian
English: 0000-0100; 0500-0600; 0900-1000; 1100-1200; 1900-2000; 2100-2200. German: 1700-1800; 2000-2100; 2300-2400.
Ukrainian on all other times / frequencies
(DX Mix News, Bulgaria, 05 April via DXLD)

** U S S R. Aproveitando o ensejo, seguem links de gravaÁıes antigas de outras emissoras:

http://www.4shared.com/file/254075540/a1e5892c/URSS_-_Radiostantsiya_Rodina_R.html
http://www.4shared.com/file/254075551/cff988fb/URSS_-_Radio_Magallanes_1976_2.html
http://www.4shared.com/file/254075611/a9d3f3a6/URSS_-_Radio_Moscow_escucha_ch.html
http://www.4shared.com/file/254075643/3aaa66cf/URSS_-_Radio_Station_Peace__Pr.html
http://www.4shared.com/file/254075655/cad2f2bb/URSS_-_Radio_Station_Peace__Pr.html
http://www.4shared.com/file/254052488/e55e4ffc/La_Voz_de_Chile_-_dec_1976_118.html

73's (PU1WJH, Ricardo Cavilos, April 1, radioescutas yg via DXLD)

** U K. QSL: UNITED KINGDOM, 11875, IBRA Radio via Rampisham. Two full data (with site and power) .pdf QSL sheet showing an African Male holding a short wave radio & Christian Message. This for a broadcast to west Africa (Hausa & Fon which are indicated on the QSL)

Reply in 24 hours, after posting an e-mail follow-up. Original report was sent via Postal airmail, five months back. V/S apologized for the oversight. E-mail sent to info @ ibra.se V/s: Maria Levander, Information Officer (Edward Kusalik, Alberta, Canada, April 1, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U K. Goldfinger on BBC Radio 4 --- This isn't shortwave related, but it could have been in the past. Last Saturday BBC Radio 4 aired a 90 minute dramatization of Ian Fleming's Goldfinger.
http://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b00rq1w3
It's available online until the 10th. Regards, (Joe Durso in Louisville KY, April 6, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U K. BRITAIN GOES TO THE POLLS --- The World Service and Radio 4 will have considerable coverage in the coming weeks...leading up to the vote, anticipated as being May 6.

I've become a "fan" of the Westminster Hour, which is heard Sunday nights (and on demand for 7 days after) on BBC Radio 4.
http://news.bbc.co.uk/2/hi/programmes/the_westminster_hour/default.stm

Its a BBC version of CBC's "The House". BBC Radio Wales, Ulster and Scotland should prove interesting, as well as local radio, all available via the internet (Fred Waterer, Politics Junkie, History Geek, April 5, ODXA yg via DXLD)

** U K. BBC Radio 2 has reorganized its schedule, moving a couple of our favourites to back-to-back on Thursdays: 2100 UT The Organist Entertains, and 2130 Listen to the Band --- AND, replacing Rockin` With Suzi Q, during the following hour 2200-2300 UT: TIM RICE`S AMERICAN PIE, 50 weeks from April 8, 2010, Musical heritage of each state, geographically starting with Washington, and next week, Oregon. Apparently pop, never classical? Each available for a week following on demand (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U K. Hi All, Non-log: some time ago I heard a Woofferton HF harmonic via groundwave 70 miles from the transmitter.

Yesterday I was hilltopping at a spot called Long Mynydd near the Woofferton transmitter and decided to check for any harmonics above 30 MHz that may propagate when conditions improve. Nothing was heard for the five hours I was there, so it looks like the output is totally clean, shame! (Tim Bucknall, April 5, harmonics yg via DXLD)

** U K. Wednesday, March 31, 2010. New time for BBC Evening Urdu
http://dxasia-uadx.blogspot.com/2010/03/new-time-for-bbc-evening-urdu.html

With effect from 1st April BBC Urdu is to merge the 2 half hour b'cast (at 1500-1530 & 1600-1630) into one hour slot at 1500-1600 and can be heard on 1413 7435(till 1545) 9510 11740 15470 kHz. This 2 half hour broadcast was introduced following the introduction of Daylight Saving Time in Bangladesh and to accommodate BBC Bengali at 1530-1600 during DST in Bangladesh (via Alokesh Gupta, dx_india yg via DXLD)

** U K [non]. 9585, something in Burmese discussion, April 3 at 1411 and stronger than Thailand on 9575. It`s BBC via Singapore at 1345-1430. Strangely enough, NHKWNRJ is scheduled during exactly the same half-sesquihour in Hindi via Uzbekistan, so there ought to be a big collision in Asia, but only Burmese heard here (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST) See also SINGAPORE; ASCENSION

** U K O G B A N I. UK Rocks The World on 15760 kHz --- Today Easter Sunday! UK Rocks The World with a ''test transmission'' to North America on 15760 kHz. Time 1500-1558 UTC / GMT. All reception reports to: http://www.twitter.com/ukrtw or ukrockstheworld @ googlemail.com (No Information is available); please email UK Rocks The World! Happy Easter and Good Listening, 73s (Tom Taylor, 0902 UT April 4, DX LISTENING DIGEST, also via Mike Barraclough, 1055 UT April 4, dxldyg via DXLD)

** U K [non?]. Checked 15760 for the widely publicized on short notice special April 4 at 15-16, ``UK Rocks the World`` -- at 1530 very good signal with rock music, but what`s the point? We don`t have enough rock music already, especially in America? Site? (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

I have heard them today, April 4, on 5875 with a very strong signal. ID as ukrtw at 1030 and off abruptly at 1032 in the middle of a song. Regards (Harry Brooks, North East England, UK, ibid.)

So, is it a pirate broadcaster? What kind of transmitter/antenna were they using? (Sergei S., Germany, ibid.)

15760 UK: UK Rocks The World test transmission from 1501 to 1552 UT playing non stop progressive rock with IDs and twitter/e-mail addresses given throughout the broadcast. Some of the groups played included Yes, The Rolling Stones, Led Zeppelin, Rush and Black Sabbath. Good to start with, bad atmospheric noise around 20 after. Better at 1545 UT onward, April 4/10. 73 (Mick Delmage, Sherwood Park, AB, Kenwood R5000, KLM 7-30 MHz Log, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Heard here just past 1500, announcing as a test transmission. Pretty decent signal (Steve Lare, Holland, MI USA, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Weak and fluttery here, very good signal using a Global Tuners receiver in New Hartford, CT, s/on 1501, ID, request for reports, Yours is No Disgrace by Yes (Mike Barraclough, Letchworth Garden City, UK, ibid.)

And the same here in NW England. Virtually unlistenable for most of the time. I would guess this means a UK site was in use (Noel R. Green, ibid.)

15760 04/Apr 1505 USA(?), UK Rocks The World. EE. Rock mx. Weak signal. ID (ìUK Rocks The Worldî) at 1507 UT after music.

Is already in my blog the recording of listening of UK Rocks The World at 15760 kHz, 1520 UT, 04/Apr. Now, the 1534 UT, with a moderate signal. http://www.ipernity.com/doc/75006
(Jorge Freitas, Brasil, ibid.)

Very good signal at just past 1530 on 15760, some fading but otherwise good here in Pennsylvania (Will F., ibid.)

Pretty solid +10 over S9 and clean here near Toronto. Zeppelin on now at 1530Z. Reception report sent. Cheers! (Bob Wylie (?), ODXA yg via

DXLD)

Very strong at 1540, after recent ID (Bob Wilkner, FL, NASWA yg via DXLD)

Me too - 15760, UK Rocks the World test broadcast 4-4 1545-1554* rock music. Nice Sig. Came upon it by accident (Sheryl Paszkiewicz, Manitowoc WI, ibid.)

Same in SW Germany. Good reception, excellent modulation. Not much fading though. Rock music with email for reception reports given (Sergei S., 1544 UT, dxldyg via DXLD)

Colleagues. I sent the reception report of listening of UK Rocks The World and I received the email below. Ukrockstheworld @ googlemail.com

``Hi Jorge, Thanks for the very detailed reception report. Great to hear you are receiving us! Regards UKRTW QSL to follow later today..`` 73 (Jorge Freitas, Feira de Santana Bahia, Brasil, ibid.)

15760, UK Rocks the World. Fairly weak at 1501 t/in with IDs, rock music. Full ID again 1504. Sent them a quick e-mail, which included a request for transmitter site details. They responded, and promised a QSL, but ignored the request. 4/4 Regards, (Craig Seager, Bathurst NSW, Icom R75, Random Wire, April 5, ARDXC via DXLD)

I was so happy to come across this by accident, not having heard about the advance notice. They have QSL'd already and it says Belfast. Does this mean I can count this as Northern Ireland or could they be using a different transmitter (Sheryl Paszkiewicz, Manitowoc WI, NASWA yg via WORLD OF RADIO 1507, DXLD)

I don't think anybody knows the xmtr site. I would think that odds ñ given the apparent strength of the transmitter -- that it actually was transmitted from Northern Ireland are miniscule! (Don Jensen, Kenosha WI, ibid.)

** U S A [non]. Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty A10 (time UTC) daily, u.o.s.

Afghan
1296 0230-1430
12140 0230-0330
17670 0230-0830
15680 0230-1230
17685 0330-1330
15090 0830-1430
11550 1230-1430

Azerbaijiani
9405 1500-1600
15565 1500-1600

Belarussian
612 0300-0500
612 1500-2100
6105 0300-0500
6120 0300-0500
7270 1500-1700
9725 1500-1700
6050 1700-1900
6105 1700-1900
5995 1900-2100
9405 1900-2100

North Caucasus
5955 0300-0400
7290 0300-0400
7205 1500-1600
11810 1500-1600

Farda
1575 0000-2359
7510 0000-0230
5860 0030-0500
5885 0030-1200
5925 0030-0130
7280 0030-0500
7295 0100-0300
5970 0130-0230
7370 0230-0330
9805 0230-0400
15690 0230-1400
9480 0300-0400
9840 0300-0430
11635 0400-0800
13810 0400-0630
13860 0400-0930
15255 0430-0600
7220 0530-0930
21715 0530-0800
17810 0600-0830
17845 0600-1000
17695 0830-1200
17880 0830-1100
15610 0930-1130

7435	1000-1400
13580	1030-1300
17845	1030-1100
17755	1200-1400
13795	1300-1400
15680	1330-1500
17695	1330-1630
11520	1400-1800
13580	1400-1500
17760	1400-1430
15780	1430-1430
15650	1500-1700
11560	1530-1600
11615	1530-1730
7580	1600-2200
9760	1600-1800
5830	1730-2130
7250	2200-2400

Caucasus Echo

5905	1700-1800
11950	1700-1800

Kazakh

7215	0100-0200
9750	0100-0200
9465	1300-1400
12005	1300-1400

Kyrgyz

15140	1200-1230
17730	1200-1230
7465	1500-1530
12110	1500-1530

Moldovan

MonTueWedThuFri	5955	0400-0430
SatSun	9495	1500-1530
MonTueWedThuFri	6110	1600-1630
MonTueWedThuFri	3995	1800-1830

Russian

5925	0300-0500
7435	0300-0500
9520	0300-0700
15470	0300-0400
9760	0400-0700
12005	0500-0700

17560 0500-0700
11700 0800-1000
15130 0800-1000
17730 0800-1000
9585 1200-1300
13745 1200-1300
15130 1200-1300
15565 1200-1500
7335 1300-1400
9530 1300-1700
9880 1300-1400
11730 1400-1500
13680 1400-1500
9520 1500-1900
11725 1500-1600
11860 1500-1600
7445 1600-1700
9445 1600-1700
5980 1700-1800
7260 1700-1800
11805 1700-1900
6015 1800-1900
9840 1800-2000
6120 1900-2000
7285 1900-2100
9465 1900-2100

Tajik
9760 0100-0400
13760 0100-0200
15525 0200-0400
9790 1400-1700
11895 1400-1500
11975 1500-1600
7485 1600-1700

Tatar-Bashkir
7390 0300-0400
9635 0300-0400
9635 0500-0600
12075 1500-1600
15445 1500-1600
9805 1900-2000

Turkmen
9555 0200-0300
15560 0200-0400
9550 0300-0400

12075	1400-1500
13830	1400-1500
7260	1500-1600
7430	1500-1600
7350	1600-1700
11975	1600-1700
9485	1700-1800
9670	1700-1800

Uzbek

9855	0200-0300
12025	0200-0300
15145	0200-0400
17770	0300-0400
17825	0300-0400
7560	1400-1500
9510	1400-1500
12005	1400-1500
6060	1600-1700
7555	1600-1700
9390	1600-1700

(from the RFERL.ORG website via Alexey Zinevich, a DXer from Minsk, Belarus, March 29, dxldyg via DXLD)

** U S A [non]. Additional unregistered frequency of Radio Liberty in Kyrgyz: 1200-1230 on 15265 UNID transmitter // 15140 BIB and 17730 IRA (DX Mix News, Bulgaria, 05 April via DXLD)

** U S A. Maybe we have a shot [to save Greenville]

----- Forwarded Message -----
From: Congressman Walter B. Jones
Sent: Thu, 1 Apr 2010 10:17:02 -0400 (EDT)

Dear Glenn:

Thank you for contacting me about the Obama Administration's proposal to close the Voice of America shortwave broadcasting station outside Greenville, North Carolina. I appreciate you taking the time to contact me and I'm grateful for the opportunity to respond.

As you know, the Fiscal Year 2011 Budget Request for the Broadcasting Board of Governors (BBG) included a proposal to close the Voice of America station outside Greenville, North Carolina. This is the last U.S. government-owned shortwave broadcasting facility in the continental United States.

In my opinion, if the U.S. is going to remain in the business of beaming radio programming into foreign lands as part of our national security strategy, then it makes no sense to do what the BBG has proposed:

namely, to close this station and increase our reliance on broadcasting via foreign terrestrial or satellite radio transmission facilities. Such action would be fraught with security issues and could be far more costly to taxpayers over the long term.

Therefore, I have asked the House Appropriations Subcommittee on State, Foreign Operations and Related Programs to include language in its Fiscal Year 2011 bill that would prevent the Broadcasting Board of Governors from implementing their proposal to close the station. North Carolina Congressmen G.K. Butterfield and David Price are joining me in this effort.

Thanks again for making me aware of your thoughts on this matter. Should you need additional assistance on this or other federal matters, please don't hesitate to contact me in the future.

Sincerely, Walter B. Jones, Member of Congress
(via Glenn Swiderski, NC, DXLD)

** U S A [and non]. Jazz show in French on VOA noted at 2000 on 15730 with great level, and 12080 which was good on 3/28 check (Joe Hanlon, NJ, March 30, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Both via SVO TOM… (gh)

12015, VOA Greenville now here at 17-19, English to Africa concluding at 1858 April 2 with USG editorial about Nigeria, very good signal but with constant RTTY QRM, which has been on that frequency for years: so why do broadcasters keep going onto it and why doesn`t the RTTY object, whatever it is? See also SPAIN [and non] which overlaps before 1900 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

7575, VOA in Press Conference USA, Saturday April 3 at 1245, guest Jeremy Rifkin, author of ``The Empathic Civilization``, about what the future may hold and the necessity for more worldwide empathy to avoid doom.

Seemed undermodulated, but every so often the audio would surge up, so what was really happening: surges heard when an open carrier atop this signal would briefly fade. Finished by 1256, then jazz music and promo for Jazz America in following hour to be on 7.575, 9.51 and 9.76 MHz.

At 1300 VOA switches 7575 from THAILAND to Tinang, PHILIPPINES site (the latter only on weekends), so Tinang was on the air with OC much earlier than 1300; should have been tuning up on some other frequency

as IBB frequently does but not in this case.

Furthermore, after Thailand went off, the OC remained on 7575 until VOA news modulation finally cut on at 1301:25, at better level than before and no more surging since the undersignal offwent.

9945, April 3 at 1407 playing new version of ``We Are the World``. This hour is VOA Indonesian via Tinang, but the A-Z schedule fails to color-code it as Fri-Sat-Sun only, and consequently also the VOA schedule in DXLD 10-13 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9760, PHILIPPINES. VOA via Tinang, 1350, 4/4/10. "Jazz America" program was fair at best, mixing with CRI via Xian. CRI on top (Jerry Strawman, Des Moines, IA, Drake R8B, Wellbrook 330S Loop, Par SWL Random Wire, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

7575, VOA Sunday at 1330 April 4, good signal 21 degrees USward from Tinang, PHILIPPINES (only on weekends) amid Jazz America giving contact info, and responding to a listener in Yukon OK, but he`s from abroad so that`s OK. Does he listen to this frequency too? Wondered if there was an archive of previous JA programs; no, you can only listen to the latest one online (if you can find it on confusing disorganized VOA website). [oh yeah? See below] At 1339 tried // 9760 but it had ChiCom co-channel QRM.

5835 at 1359 April 4, good open carrier, 1400 Radio Free Asia theme joined in progress and English announcement that Cantonese would follow. This is via TINIAN, kudos to be doing so well, so late almost two hours after sunrise, so far off-target; no jamming audible and presumably not jammed, since who cares if those southerners are further corrupted by outside influences? (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

VOA JAZZ AMERICA DOWNLOAD LINKS:
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1 week available REAL AUDIO, 20 kbps - updated every Saturday at 0810z (1st hour) and at 0910z (2nd hour):

Jazz America - Hour 1:
ftp://8475.ftp.storage.akadns.net/real/voa/english/jaz1/jaz10705aSAT.rm

Jazz America - Hour 2:
ftp://8475.ftp.storage.akadns.net/real/voa/africa/jaz1/jaz10805aSAT.rm

Hour 1 2009 ARCHIVES as mp3s, 24 kbps:
ftp://8475.ftp.storage.akadns.net/mp3/voa/english/jaz1/2009/

Hour 2 2009 ARCHIVES as mp3s, 24 kbps:
ftp://8475.ftp.storage.akadns.net/mp3/voa/africa/jaz1/2009/

Hour 1 2010 ARCHIVES as mp3s, 24 kbps:
ftp://8475.ftp.storage.akadns.net/mp3/voa/english/jaz1/2010/

Hour 2 2010 ARCHIVES as mp3s, 24 kbps:
ftp://8475.ftp.storage.akadns.net/mp3/voa/africa/jaz1/2010/
Regards, (DrAgan Lekic, Serbia, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

VOA Spanish check April 7 opening at 2300: 9885 with DentroCuban jamming, but VOA atop, blocking 9890 RUSSIA, q.v. New // 11970 had jamming only, possibly VOA late coming up as often happens. // 5890 with jamming atop VOA.

7550 with open carrier at 1357 April 8; 1358 VOA YDD sign-on, 1400 a montage of enthusiastic voices introducing VOA Direct Connexion, then with rap. Have not noticed this on SW before, something from their Music Mix network, no doubt.

7540 at 1403 also had VOA but with News Now, // 9760, and 7540 weaker than 7550.

HFCC shows both are Tinang, PHILIPPINES, 7540 at 270 degrees M-F only, and 7550 at 200 degrees Thu-Fri-Sat only. The 7550 scheduling would have led me to believe it was the extra Indonesian service, so they put on wrong feed?

Yes, the A-Z language schedule under Indonesian does show:
1400-1500 UTC 7550 9945
but lacking color-coding, so implying it`s daily; have also heard 9945 previously, axually in Indonesian with American music hour.

17585, VOA Greenville, English to Africa scheduled 1400-1430, but April 8 at 1400 nothing heard. Probably came up late, as inbooming at next check 1427 for Today In History, 1430 cut off abruptly during Bee Gees music, and carrier off a few sex later, uncovering JBA signal, no doubt Botswana continuing same news hour, specified for exactly same CIRAF target zones, in totally unnecessary site handover during one continuous hour of programming (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)
see also NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS

** U S A. Radio MartÌ violates separation of church and state once again: On 13820, April 2 at 1856 noticed a mass in progress, as if it were WEWN! Pretty good cantor, shortly identified by announcer as St. John`s Passion. Hardly any jamming audible here, but heavy jamming on // 11930. Not only that but the next time I noticed R. MartÌ, at 2220

on 6030 sounded like more of the same, mass with bits of German, Latin, Spanish, Italian mixed up.

No doubt these are Good Friday specials, but what are US taxpayers doing paying for a government station to broadcast services of one particular religion to one particular country? O sure, DentroCubans are in dire need of Catholic radio, despite the Church having reached an accommodation with the Cuban state years ago, and big 24-hour unjammed Spanish signals from Birmingham. Even if there were no such deal, this would be totally against American principles. Stop it! Or start broadcasting ALL OTHER RELIGIONS (and ATHEISM) to Cuba on R. MartÌ (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1507, DX LISTENING DIGEST)
More MartÌ --- see CUBA [non]

** U S A. 11970, new frequency for VOA Spanish, April 5 at 2350 with report about controversy over some musical event in Shanghai, // and synchronized with 9885 so suspect it is Greenville. Have not found it on any schedule yet, apparently a last-minute change for listed 11625; also // heavily jammed 5890 but no jamming audible on 11970 yet. Poor signal as propagation is pitiful today with high K-indices and G3-level geomag storms (see CANADA).

Wolfgang B¸schel had heard something in Spanish here a few days ago, April 1 after 0000, which would be the Tue-Sat A Fondo program.

Yes, at 0015 check April 6, nothing on 11625, but 11970 // 9885 // 5890 with A Fondo, and no jamming audible on any of them now, unlike // 6030 R. MartÌ with same program this hour (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1507, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. The DRM test jointly with HCJB via Greenville on 9445-9450-9455 in the daytime has finally been terminated. That should free up a backup transmitter for real analog VOA broadcasts (Glenn Hauser, OK, April 5, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. AREA 51 ALSO AREA 93

On-air, April 3-4, 2010 Posted: under WBCQ. Tags: onair

Given the positive reports we had from last weekendís test transmissions, weíre going to do some more simulcasting this weekend. Reception reports are welcome, as always, at radio @ zappahead.net

Saturday, April 3, 2010
ï2200 UTC (6pm) 5110//9330: The Lost Discs Radio Show [webcast linked]
ï2300 UTC (7pm) 5110//9330: The Lumpy Gravy Radio Show [webcast]
ï0000 UTC (8pm) 5110//7415: Radio Timtron Worldwide [webcast]
ï0100 UTC (9pm) 5110: Radio Timtron Worldwide [webcast]

Sunday, April 4, 2010
ï2100 UTC (5pm) 5110: Pirates Week with Ragnar Danesjkold [webcast]
ï2130 UTC (5:30PM) 5110: The International Radio Report [webcast]
ï2200 UTC (6pm) 5110: Radio Jennifer [webcast]
ï2300 UTC (7pm) 5110: Radio Jamba International [webcast]
ï0000 UTC (8pm) 5110: Radio Newyork International [webcast]
Comments (0) April 3, 2010 (Area 51 blog/website via DXLD)

Thanks Glenn, some classic stuff being played here. 9330 kHz is loud and proud, 5110 good but the little brother of the former. Just need my Goldwater button and a Mai Tai to complement the musical offering. Some audio dropout at 2210, then OK with the wah wahs. Will send in a Rx report, too good to pass up (S McLean, Buffalo NY, 45m random wire/DX-440 rcvr, 2212 UT, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Glenn: I just tuned in at 2236 April 3, playing oldies and giving announcements. Fair to good on CUSB on 9330 inbooming from Area 51 on WBCQ, in Maine. Great show tonight. 73's, (Noble West, TN, DXLDYG via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Glenn. Nesse momento, 0142 UT, em 5110 kHz ouÁo com sinal fraco e, infelizmente, muito ruÌdo da minha rede elÈtrica, a Radio Timtron Worldwide. Agora, 0145 UT uma musica estilo ·rabe. Depois eu publico o log na lista. 73 (Jorge Freitas, Feira de Santana, Bahia, Brasil, UT April 4, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Viz.:

5110, 04/Apr 0137, USA, WBCQ, Radio Timtron Worldwide, *presumed*, pop music. Very noise of my electric network. At 0140 UT OM talks. At 0142 UT OM seems to publish slowly the address. After music, at 0146 UT the song ends, I do not hear modulation. At 0149 UT, I come back to hear a song, at 0150 UT seems ID by OM. Out of the air at 0151 UT. Weak signal (Jorge Freitas, Brasil, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9330-CUSB, UT Monday April 5 at 0048, rock music with SFX such as sirens, // 5110-CUSB almost as good, in another weekend experiment by Area 51 via WBCQ. But 7415 was absent (Glenn Hauser, MPDX, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 15550, 26.3 1400, WJHR Milton FL med musik och religiˆst. 1-2 CB (Christer Brunstrˆm, Sweden, SW Bulletin April 4 via DXLD)

15550 USB, WJHR, Milton, FL, 1700-1715, April 1, English fire & brimstone preacher. Gospel music. Very weak (Brian Alexander, PA, DX Listening Digest)

15550-USB, WJHR active April 1 at 1802 with same old preacher; peaks at S9+15 when he screams ``hell, no``, presumably denying the

existence of the hot place. Not audible 24-26 hours later (Glenn Hauser, OK, April 2, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15550-USB, WJHR, 2110 April 5 with preacher heard at best marginally over a quite high level QRN from DSL lines. Power???? (Zacharias Liangas, Thessaloniki, Greece, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Required to be 50 kW minimum, but probably 1 kW or less (gh)

15550-USB, while looking for Scott McLean`s unfound unID on 11570, also punched up this frequency and found WJHR on the air again with perpetual preacher, poor signal at 2145 April 7 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. WORLD OF RADIO confirmed back on 15825 for the rest of the midyear, Fridays on WWCR, weak at 2050; must have started at 2029 or even 2028, as by 2057 was already over and filling time with promos such as for DGS via Anguilla 11775.

5890 // 5935, WWCR 4 and 2 now both carrying University Network, April 3 at 0611. This would seem to be overkill by Dead Gene Scott, but confirmed in new online pdf program schedules at 05-11 on 5890 and 00-12 on 5935.

The April WWCR schedule continues to pretend that `Country Crossroads` is on 7490 Saturdays at 1300-1330, but instead April 3 at 1302 we are again hearing `Musical Memories` with Martha Garvin singing hymns at her piano.

WORLD OF RADIO, confirmed without looping Saturday April 3 at 1629-1658 on 12160 as monitored on webcast, now the WWCR-2 stream instead of WWCR-3 for this frequency (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

From the front page of WWCR's website, I observed this note:

WWCR'S TRANSMITTER #1 WILL BROADCAST ON 9.350 mHz FROM 2100-0000 UTC. WWCR HAS CEASED OPERATION ON 9.345 mHz AT THE REQUEST OF THE FCC.

I think they meant to type #2, because the transmitter schedule and program guide has been updated (Tom Nyberg, Sumner, IA, April 3, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Any thoughts as to why FCC would have such a request? (Sergei S., Germany, ibid.)

Any ute stn in this range? Next door is IBB Kuwait on 9335 kHz also (Wolfgang B¸schel, ibid.)

No utility problem noted here. All it takes is some government /

military user owning a never, or hardly-ever used standby frequency to complain, and it seems the only way to flush them out is to axually start broadcasting on a frequency and see what happens. See below where WYFR had to move from 9340 to 9385, possibly related (Glenn Hauser, DXLD)

Frequency change of WWCR tx#2 in English:
2100-2400 NF 9350 WCR 100 kW / 085 deg to WeAf, ex 9345
(DX Mix News, Bulgaria, 05 April via DXLD)

** U S A. WWCR transmitter #4 is no longer carrying Pastor Peters 24/7. After tuning to 9980 this morning at 1500 UT, I heard no sign of PPP. Instead it was a show about better sex with your mate. After checking the program guide, it was a show called Marriage Builders from IRN/USA.

In fact, PPP now only airs 6 hours every day, Monday-Saturday 1200-1500 and Sunday 1800-2100 UT. Then seven days a week from 0000 to 0300. All mostly on 9980 MHz, except 0200-0300 when he's on 5890.

It should also be noted that World of Radio has gained 2 more airings! 2330 UT Sundays on 9980 and 0330 UT Mondays on 5890.

Most of the rest looks like fill right now. I won't go through it all. Just check WWCR's #4 program guide for yourself. PPP must think he gets out better on WTWW (Thomas Nyberg, IA, April 2, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1507, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

WWCR`s April program schedule shows that transmitter 4 is no longer 24/7 Pastor Pete Peters, no doubt due to all his new airtime on WTWW. This opens up lots of time for other stuff on 9980 or 5890, including two additional airings of WORLD OF RADIO: Sunday 2330 on 9980, UT Monday 0330 on 5890. Tnx to Thomas Nyberg for pointing this out first, and tnx to WWCR!

Also, #2 has shifted from 9345 to 9350 at 21-24. Confirmed April 2 at 2212, usual VG signal, during preacher. Golden Age of Radio is filling time on 9350: Wed 2300-2400; Sat 2105-2200; and Into the Blue, Sat 2200-2300. GAOR is also occupying at least seven other hours per week at various times and frequencies, and ITB, three.

5890, WWCR-4 confirmed with new WORLD OF RADIO airing, #1506, UT Monday April 5 at 0330, VG signal. Even I forgot to check the other new one, Sunday 2330 on 9980, when normally the signal is still extremely strong here (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

4775, 0438 06/04, USA, WWCR 3, Nashville-TN, EE OM talks disc rel abt Jesus and God 34333 (PU2LZB Renato Uliana, SONY ICF-7600DS + RGP3OC,

Guarulhos-SP, Brasil, Grid Locator GG66rn, radioescutas yg via DXLD)

I don`t think so. Has not used that frequency for months, settled on 4840 instead. Must have been TWR SWAZILAND on 4775 where per Aoki, English starts at 0430 M-F, 0500 Sat & Sun (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. WTWW remains on 9479 instead of 9480 when checked, April 2: at 1312, not up to full strength yet, has a 1 kHz het from something on 9480 and a 4 kHz het from R. Australia on 9475. At 1903 when CRI via Albania is on 9480, only a trace of its het could be detected here. After 2200, no hets audible unlike the day before.

9479, WTWW, April 3: quite a weak signal at first check 1313, but in solid by 1339 with no hets audible. George McClintock thinx it may be more advantageous to use 9481 next week at 12-24, unless he can tweak the harmonic filter in the meantime for adequate suppression of the sixteenth harmonic and go back to 9480 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

HATE RADIO --- Dear Glenn: I got up this morning, turned on my SW radio and while surfing the bands discovered, on 5755 at 1100 hours UT, the most vile, anti-Semitic, anti-Black, anti-establishment program I have ever heard.

The presenters spoke about Jews as "Christ haters" and referred to them as "Stinking Jews". The mocked the more than 200,000 lives lost in Haiti and suggested that we clear US jails of 200,000 blacks and send them to Haiti.

They suggested, by their conversation, that it is possible, though subject to prosecution from the Federal government, to refuse to fill out the 2010 Census form, as required by law.

Mr. Hauser, who are these people and can they say these things on the air in the name of free speech? I am totally in shock! (Michael Davis, April 3, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Pastor Pete Peters and his ilk, of course, on WTWW. Altho there are limits, owner George McClintock feels that it is a matter of free speech and more importantly of business, for anyone who wants to buy the time, which he would also probably sell to the far left if any of them were interested in SW (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9479.05 NF for WTWW at 2057 April 5 with religious program, and mentions of Africa. Power? (Zacharias Liangas, Thessaloniki, Greece, DX LISTENING DIGEST) 100 kW

** U S A. WRMI 9955, Saturday April 3 at 1306 in AWR Wavescan, Jeff White reading story about RCA Manila; fair with no jamming. I hope that was still true for WORLD OF RADIO at 1330.

BTW, Jeff tells me that WRMI has a new Cuban exile program UT Tue-Sat 0100-0200, La Voz del Consejo por la Libertad de Cuba, successor to La Voz de la FundaciÛn. This knox off some other DX program repeats, but not affecting WORLD OF RADIO (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

High-latitude paths missing due to high K-indices, leaving southerly signals at good or better levels than usual, April 6 at 0614, WRMI 9955, R. Prague via WRN, in English with Science Journal, appropriately about robots, the very concept of which originated in Czechia with Karel Chapek`s R.U.R. SF story of the early twenties.

From across the lake, WYFR was also extremely strong on 31m, 9715, 9680, 9355 and new 9385 ex-9340.

Nearby signals above 5 MHz which usually hold up well thru the nightmiddle, WTWW 5755, WWCR 5890 and 5935 were quite weak; WWCR 4840 strong enough but less signal than usual; and the lower ones loud and unaffected, WWCR 3215 and WWRB 3185.

WRMI chex April 6-7: at 2230 on webcast, WORLD OF RADIO 1506 confirmed at new time; not convenient to check 9955 but probably jammed. But next WOR airing at 0030 UT Wednesday found 9955 in the clear with no jamming, nor at 0113 when Ninochka`s new exile show was underway (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. I hesitate to mention this without the proper spin, so: Harold Camping is desperately trying to add more and more languages to infest more and more cultures with his end-of-the-world nonsense as there are only 13 months to go. Tuning across WYFR 11865, April 2 at 1343, in English they were asking for people who speak Oromo, Shona, Somali, Zulu and an Nguni (? Niugini?) language.

7520, April 2 at 2215, WYFR in Spanish during this hour, had stronger CW QRM from 7519. From the cadence if not axual copying, I am pretty sure these were Cuban spy cut numbers; not the first time these two disservices have fought over a frequency (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Please note these changes to the WYFR A-10 Schedule effective 03 April 2010:

Delete:	9340 kHz	0445-0900 UTC	87 degrees	Zone 46
Add:	9385 kHz	0445-0900 UTC	87 degrees	Zone 46

(Evelyn Marcy, WYFR Okeechobee, April 2, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Frequency change of WYFR Family R. in Arabic/French/English/English:
0500-0845 NF 9385 YFR 100 kW / 087 deg to WeAf, ex 9340
(DX Mix News, Bulgaria, 05 April via DXLD)

6985, April 5 at 0055 organ music with hymn, what else but ``Gott sei die Ehre``. WYFR now scheduled here 2245-0445 at 355 degrees. I should think some MARS nets just below 7000 would object. OSOB as The Crystal Ship must have finished with 6876 by then (Glenn Hauser, MPDX, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A [and non]. I can now confirm that the only time when there was even faint hope of DXing With Cumbre axually being aired on shortwave as in the imaginary WHRI online schedule, Saturday at 1200 on 9410, is a bust. Not even on the air then checked at 1220 April 3 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST) See also LAOS [non]

If you hear gospel-huxters on 5920, don`t assume WBOH is back. That station is kaput, so WHRI has moved onto the frequency. I noticed it one evening. This could also be the frequency for DXing with Cumbre, since searching on Marie Lamb as program host in the online WHR schedule brings it up repeatedly, attributed to Angels 1, 5 and 6, even two of them at once! Presumably most if not all of these are imaginary, maybe on the webcasts but not really on the SW air.

The full imaginary DWC schedule from this search, rearranged into day and time order, listed days changed to UT days where applicable:

Sat 1830 6-11785
Sat 1930 4-9930 Palau
Sun 0130 1-5920, 5-5920
Sun 1000 6-5920
Sun 1330 6-11785
Sun 1930 4-9930 Palau
Mon 0200 2-5875
Mon 0330 1-5920, 5-5920
M-F 0430 1-5920, 5-5920

If anyone confirm any of these really on the air and really carrying DWC, do let us know (Glenn Hauser, April 4, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Checking for a few of the scheduled DXing with Cumbre airings on WHRI per website, as I amassed previously: UT Monday April 5 at 0218, 5850 not on the air. At 0330, 5920 not on the air. (It was, however, at 0218 in Spanish) (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. WEWN (EWTN Shortwave) 28 Mar-31 Oct 2010 English A-10:
0000-0300 AF 11520
0300-0500 AF 9455

0500-0900 ME/EU 6890
0900-1300 ME/EU 11520
1300-1600 seAS 13835
1600-2200 ME/EU 15610e
2200-2400 ME/EU 11520
(WEWN website via Alan Roe, Teddington, UK, March 28, dxldyg via DXLD)

** U S A. WRNO started playing secular rock music with some Christian music mixed in at 8 PM Central (0100 UT). Coming in with armchair signal here in Sumner, IA. Seems to be tracking a Kansas CD right now. Maybe testing an automation system for their 24 hour startup someday (Thomas Nyberg, UT March 30, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST) 7505+

** U S A. Saludos cordiales queridos colegas diexistas. Espero se encuentren muy bien. En los 5050 kHz hay una emisiÛn en castellano y hace poco identificaron como Radio Mundial, pero no veo nada a esta hora en castellano en las listas en esta frecuencia y tampoco ninguna emisora con este nombre. La habÌa grabado pero creo que la borre sin darme cuenta. Espero comentarios (JosÈ ElÌas, 0412 UT April 6, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

JE, A quÈ hora(s)??? Tipo de programaciÛn? En el centro de EE UU escuchamos solo a WWRB desde Tenneseee, que hace poco ha ampliado su programaciÛn a la noche entera, pero a todas horas captada siempre en inglÈs con dramas bÌblicos.

Pero acabo de probar la frecuencia de 5050 a las 0428 TU del 6 de abril y realmente se encuentra por primera vez en castellano ``Con la Biblia Abierta``. Sin duda es WWRB.
No han actualizado su esquema desde hace mucho tiempo en
http://www.wwrb.org/schedule/global_2/combined.pdf
73, (Glenn Hauser, via DXLD)

WWRB, 5050, recently expanded to all-night operation, was always running Biblical dramatizations in English when I tuned across it, but at 0428 April 6 in Spanish instead with programming called ``Con la Biblia Abierta`` which may be from the same source. Tnx to an inquiry from JosÈ ElÌas DÌaz GÛmez, Venezuela, who had just heard something in Spanish IDing as Radio Mundial.

They plugged website http://www.conlabibliaabierta.com which has an uninformative RadiodifusiÛn link with nothing about WWRB, but mentions 1700 and 1500 kHz in South Florida and Cuba, including a program called Radio Mundial.

WWRB hasn`t updated its own program schedule for ages, nothing about this or anything past ET midnight at
http://www.wwrb.org/schedule/global_2/combined.pdf

Did not recheck until 0601 when 5050 was back in English (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Efectivamente querido amigo, el programa en castellano que est·n emitiendo todavÌa es Con la Biblia Abierta, entonces se trata como dices de la WWRB, pero al principio de la emisiÛn cuando comenzaron, nombraron a Radio Mundial, de allÌ mi pregunta. Muchas gracias amigo Glenn por tu comentario y pronta respuesta, yo seguirÈ escuch·ndola otro ratico a ver si dicen algo mas. Un fuerte abrazo amigo Glenn. (JosÈ ElÌas, noticiasdx yg via DXLD)

luego: Saludos nuevamente amigo Glenn. Te informo que apenas escuchÈ la emisiÛn y la identificaciÛn le he escrito un mensaje a travÈs de la direcciÛn de internet que ellos indican y me han respondido inmediatamente lo siguiente:

``Thank you for your submission to conlabibliaabierta.com. We will reply to you as soon as possible. Thanks Rex Morgan``
Un abrazo, amigo Glenn (JosÈ ElÌas, April 6, ibid.)

** U S A. 17920 and 17630 with spurblobs April 8 at 1510 accompanying KVOH 17775 at S9+22 on fundamental shortly after sign-on, with Spanish gospel music. No modulation matchable, but their appearances correlate nicely with 17775 and its signal level, the upper one always stronger.

Next check at 2031, 17775 even stronger S9+25 at least, and now the two spurs are stronger too, obviously matching the music modulation peaks and beat of the fundamental (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 4050, quick check at 1235 April 4, mention of Milwaukee Brewers, presumed usual third harmonic of KWMO Washington MO, as I tuned down 1 MHz from WWRB 5050 which was still Bibling (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. Greetings Mr. Hauser: I haven't spent much time on the radio while attending college. I will finally graduate on May 2nd with dual degrees. I've had some time off before starting up with my Master's work. I've been tuning around the bands. However, I find propagation very strange of late.

I did find a so-called "patriot" program on 27035 kHz being re-broadcast from shortwave; The Derry Brownfield Show. I had to chuckle. These shortwave guys are still "Bush Bashing", especially about the "Patriot Act." These idiots don't even know that Obama RENEWED the Patriot act a little over a month ago.

http://www.truthdig.com/eartotheground/item/

obama_renews_patriot_act_provisions_20100228/

When will people realize there is no difference between the two parties?? 73, (Bill Lauterbach - WA8MEA, MI, April 2, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. FCC SHUTS UW-PARKSIDE RADIO STATION FOR ROCKING WITHOUT LICENSE --- By Sharif Durhams of the Journal Sentinel
Posted: March 30, 2010 |(18) Comments

The college radio station at the University of Wisconsin-Parkside rocked so hard this month that federal agents shut it down. School officials and the student group that runs WIPZ 88.5 FM are trying to adjust their broadcast equipment so that they can get back on the air without running afoul of the Federal Communications Commission. . .
http://www.jsonline.com/news/milwaukee/89541752.html
(via Artie Bigley, DXLD)

** U S A. CHUTZPAH IN NEW MEXICO --- KHOD-105.3's application for Special Temporary Authority has been dismissed. The station, licensed to Des Moines, New Mexico, held a construction permit expiring last June. Six months before the permit expired, the permittee filed for Special Temporary Authority to operate from a site in Raton, New Mexico. Seven weeks later, an application was filed to modify the construction permit to specify the same Raton location.

When Commission staff denied the STA application, the licensee appealed. He claimed a STA was the best way to "address the necessity of testing older transmission, antenna, EAS, and audio gear" (wording the FCC's).

(The Commission decision notes that an investigation, launched after complaints of interference, found KHOD had relocated to Raton anyway! Last November, KHOD was fined $20,000 for that violation.)

As for the application to *permanently* relocate the station to Raton --- The Commission found relocating the station to Raton would result in Des Moines going from two local stations to one, while Raton would go from five to six. A preferential alignment of service would result from leaving KHOD in Des Moines.

While the CDBS database doesn't yet reflect it, the Commission has deleted KHOD's permit & callsigns, since the permit expired on June 28, 2009 (Doug Smith W9WI, Pleasant View, TN EM66, March 31, WTFDA via DXLD)

As we have outpointed before in several stories about this, including our own visit to RatÛn a few years ago, Des Moines is just a wide

place in the road, and hardly merits one radio station, let alone two. This does not excuse KHOD from its shenanigans. The real raison d`Ítre of Des Moines is to be a town near the prime transmitter site atop Sierra Grande (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. From a quiet location in west Enid, (the Walmart parking lot), a bandscan on caradio April 3, see also OKLAHOMA, found some intriguing subaudible heterodynes from normally open frequencies, thus bearing some very weak groundwave signals. (Skywave not a factor well past equinox and barely an hour past local mean noon.)

830, at 1948 UT, SAH of about 6 Hz. All the possibilities are long shots from here led by WCCO; also Wyoming, Missouri, NM/Texas, Tucson, even Coahuila. So which pair are 6 Hz apart??

840, at 1937, SAH of 144/minute. KTIC West Point NE is sometimes audible by itself at the limits of groundwave, so has to be one of them. Otherwise there is a station in the RGV, another in Louisiana, or maybe a remnant of WHAS. So which pair are 2.4 Hz apart?

1040, at 1944 UT, a slow SAH of 26/minute. Three possibilities are 50 kW WHO Des Moines, 3.3 kW KGGR Dallas, and 15 kW KCBR Monument CO (Colorado Springs). The first two are relatively common here, but KCBR [which inherited the call from VOA Delano] would be a neat daytime catch this far away. So which pair are 0.43 Hz apart?

Caveat: could be misled by local mixing products, but doubt it, since have never identified our only three local signals, 960, 1390 and 1640 on such other MW frequencies, altho 960 and 1390 do show up on shortwave harmonix and other mixes.

1130, another station whose store is not being minded, KLEY, Wellington KS, open carrier/dead air at 1944 April 3; back on at next check around 2005. It`s dual a 1550 station, not sure if same affected it (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST) cf OKLAHOMA 1580

** U S A. 1690.035, FLORIDA, (MIS), Pinellas County Emergency Management, WQKP882 or WQKP883, Largo, 0150-0155 April 1, 2010. Still off-frequency, causing a hum against on-channel Clearwater location running the same audio feed. Slight change in the loop: male "Thank you for listening to Pinellas County Traffic Management Highway Advisory Radio... WQKP882 and WQKP883, operating on 16-90 A-M... [and female brief description of construction at]... US-19 between Gulf To Bay and ? (garbled)..." (Terry L Krueger, Clearwater, Florida, USA, 27.55.83 N, 82.46.08 W, Visit my "Florida Low Power Radio Stations" at: http://home.earthlink.net/~tocobagadx/flortis.html
April 2, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. ATLANTA LOW POWER DIGITAL TV STATION RELAYING SEVERAL AM/FM STATIONS

An over-the-air low power digital TV station in Atlanta, GA, WANN-LD, is now re-broadcasting several local AM and FM Stations as part of its digital multiplex of sub-channels. WANN-LD broadcasts on RF channel 29 mapped to virtual channel 32. The following audio-only, digital sub-channels on WANN-LD carry the following stations:

32-101: WGST (AM) - 640 kHz - news/talk radio
32-102: WUBL (FM) - 94.9 MHz "94.9 The Bull" - country music
32-103: WKLS (FM) - 96.1 MHz "Project 9-6-1" - active rock
32-104: WWLG (FM) - 96.7 MHz "96.7 The Legend" - classic country
32-105: Pride Radio - from WWVA-FM HD-2 channel on 105.7 MHz - dance/pop serving the LGBT community
32-106: WWVA-FM - 105.7 MHz "The Groove @ 105.7" - Rhythmic Hot AC

All the audio-only, digital sub-channels are in stereo and seem to be fed directly from the HD-channels from the stations listed above except the WGST (AM) feed which is from WUBL 94.9 HD-3.

WANN-LD also carries TEN (!) other TV sub-channels which carry various programming from MTV Tr3s, ThisTV, old movies, shopping channels, and informercials. The video quality of these sub-channels is pretty low. However, this low power TV station seems to have been able to pack as much as they could into the 19.39 Mbits/sec available in the terrestrial digital TV ATSC stream.

WANN-LD has been switching around their digital sub-channel arrangement quite a bit over the course of the year they have been broadcasting with a digital TV signal. This arrangement might change yet again next week! Stay tuned!

WANN-LD broadcasts from the Richland Tower at 1800 Briarcliff Road in Atlanta, GA with 14 kW to an area mostly within the city limits of Atlanta and slightly beyond (Harry Smith (Atlanta, GA), April 2, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. INTERESTING INFO RE LOCAL DTV --- Hi, Glenn! Thought you might find the enclosed e-mail exchange between me and local KMOV TV of interest. Their channel 4.1 is the regular local and CBS network television content, and 4.2 has been a constant weather-radar image which had been accompanied by the local NOAA weather-radio audio (162.55 MHz). A week or so ago the image format changed slightly and the audio was dropped. So I sent them the e-mail shown below (last section), and just received the response from them (immediately below).

It surprised me -- I didn't know that closed-captioning was always *required*; I see a lot of TV that doesn't have any CC, (I often turn on my CC in order to better follow audio that is sometimes unclear, and many times don't see any. And live closed captioning is often hilariously mangled or garbled -- you could add that category to the "Tiny Trap" and "Grafik Gaffes" amusing reports. :-)

One thing that I'm wondering about, if CC is actually required by the FCC, how come some network programs don't have it? A specific example is the NBC Nightly News on Sundays only. During the week, the CC is there OK, but on Sundays it is always absent. And *really* strangely, sometimes during that program, if I switch my CC off and then on again, I'll get *one line* or *one sentence* of CC, and then it ceases. It's not my TV -- I can switch channels and see the CC fine on other stations.

Another oddity -- watch the "Access Hollywood" entertainment-news program with the CC on. You don't get the real closed-captioned text of the audio; instead you get line after line of net URLs filling the screen. Again, just in that program; other CCs before and after on the same channel are fine. Weird, huh? 73, (Will Martin, April 5, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Viz.:

From: channel4 @ kmov.com
Date: Sun, 4 Apr 2010 23:07:09 +0000
Subject: RE: Content of digital channel 4.2

Hi William, It turns out we cannot air the NOAA weather radio due to FCC rules. If we aired NOAA weather radio, we would have to close caption it all the time, which is prohibitively expensive.

Re:
From: William Martin
Sent: Saturday, April 03, 2010 3:22 PM
Subject: Content of digital channel 4.2

Hi! I wanted to send some viewer feedback regarding the weather programming on digital channel 4.2. As an over-the-air viewer, I've been appreciating having this option -- being able to turn it on and instantly see the weather radar display helps make a quick decision about whether I can expect the rain (or whatever) to continue or start or end soon. Even though I also have several NOAA radios, hearing the NOAA automated weather info at the same time was good. So I was surprised when the radar display format changed, but the new one is just as useful and that's fine. But why was the NOAA audio dropped? Please restore it.

And one other thing -- what would really be useful would be that if

you added a crawl to the image during the business day on weekdays that would show the current DOW, NASDAQ, and S&P. I'm sure you have access to this data from CBS, and it would be welcomed by people like me who don't have access to the cable-business-news channels. Regards, William Martin, South St. Louis City (to KMOV, via Martin, DXLD)

Hi Will, Very interesting ñ but the NOAA weather radio audio is really generated from text by a computer voice (at least I never hear any real human beings around here), so that text could easily be used as the closed captioning, if it could somehow be accessed. You might suggest that to KMOV. Yes, CC of extra or even prime digital channels is a murky area, and I am not sure what the law really requires. I also notice CC missing here and there. 73, (Glenn Hauser, ibid.)

** URUGUAY. Lo m·s trascendente es que la hobby pirata de la OC, Em. Chan· estuvo en 5873, en horario matutino y vespertino (seg˙n confirmÛ tras mi consulta por sms) antes del Viernes Santo. Y todo el dÌa a partir de ese dÌa. Mis monitoreos la encontraron en la maÒana. Dicen que con mas potencia que antes (Horacio A. Nigro, Montevideo, Uruguay on a DXpedition, April 3, condiglist yg via DXLD)

Much more about this station in 9-085 and 9-086 (gh, DXLD)

6045-USB. R Sport 890 inactive. Monitored channel several times (e.g. at 2249, on Mar 28). 6125, SODRE, inactive

(Unofficial). 5873, Em. Chan·, TacuarembÛ, on 1145 on Apr 2, ad string read by young woman. ID in passing. Found them here fq after sms telephone contact with owner confirming that: "From Fri Apr 2, broadcast every day "all day", with more power than before." (Nominal frequency 5750, seems more stable than formerly when the transmitter suffered from severe drifting). QRK 3/2. Audio: http://www.goear.com/listen/88cf752/5873-emisora-chan%C3%A3%C2%A1-horacio-a.-nigro (Horacio A. Nigro, El Pinar, in Departamento de Canelones, a seaside resort located at nearly 30 km east of Montevideo, Uruguay, Easter DX week, Kenwood R600, longwire 100m beamed E, NE, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Emisora Chan· escuchada en estos momentos a las 1114, debajo del ruido local. Es evidente que no hay cristal en el oscilador, pues la frecuencia ha variado desde mi ultima escucha en 5873, voy a verificar si hay deriva de frecuencia. [Luego:] SÌ, deriva hacia abajo en frecuencia, 5857 a las 1130. Me voy a trabajar (Horacio A. Nigro, Montevideo, Uruguay, April 6, condiglist yg via DXLD)

** VANUATU. 5054.97, R. Vanuatu (presumed), heard randomly from 1244 to 1403, April 6. First time I have heard this here above threshold level! Non-stop EZL/pop songs; no announcements noted, hence

ìpresumedî. Some 5050 QRM. Bruce Churchill also noted the improved reception today during the same time period (Ron Howard, Asilomar Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** VATICAN. Vatican R. A-10 schedule, English

[NOTE: end times are likely exaggerated, as not specified by VR. Relay sites where applicable not specified either; SW DRM = Sackville ñ gh]

0140-0200 AS/PA 103.8 7335 9580
0250-0320 NAM 7305 9610
0300-0320 AS/PA 103.8 15460
0300-0330 AF 103.8 7360 9660
0500-0520 EU 93.3 1530 4005 5965 7250
0500-0530 AF 103.8 9660 11625 13765
0630-0645 EU/AS/PA (mo-sa) 93.3 105.0 585 1530 4005 5965
7250 9645 11740 15595
0630-0700 AF 103.8 11625 13765 15570
1200-1230 NAM (mo-sa) 9830
[NEW, via Sackville -1215, not DRM either ñ gh]
1530-1550 AS/PA (mo-fr,su) 103.8 11850 13765 15235
1615-1630 EU 93.3 105.0 585 1530 4005 5885 7250 15595
1730-1800 AF 103.8 11625 13765 15570
1945-2015 NAM 9800/DRM
1950-2020 EU 93.3 1530 4005 5885 7250 9645
2000-2030 AF 103.8 7365 9755 11625
2230-2250 EU 93.3 1611/DRM
2300-2330 NAM 9755/DRM

Music programme
1430-1500 EU 93.3 5885 7250 9645

Mass in English
1130-1200 AS/PA (fr) 103.8 15595 17765
1530-1600 AS/PA (sa) 103.8 11850 13765 15235 (Vatican Radio website via Alan Roe, Teddington, UK, March 28, dxldyg via DXLD)

** VATICAN STATE. 15595, Vatican Radio special transmission on Easter holiday week, noted at 0930 UT on Apr 1 in Russian, 11740 - 15595 - 17765 kHz.
<http://www.radiovaticana.org/it1/trasm_spec.asp?cod=txs_2010_04_02_ita.asp>
<http://www.radiovaticana.org/it1/trasm_spec.asp?cod=txs_2010_04_03_ita.asp>
<http://www.radiovaticana.org/it1/trasm_spec.asp?cod=txs_2010_04_04_ita.asp>
(Wolfgang B¸schel, April 1, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews April 2 via DXLD)

[non]. Sabato 27 marzo 2010, 1530 - 7585 kHz (B09), R. VATICANA - Yangi Yul (Tajikistan), Inglese, S. Messa. Segnale buono-molto buono, Solo sabato (Luca Botto Fiora, G.C. 09E13 - 44N21, Rapallo (Genova),

Italia, April 2, playdx yg via DXLD)

** VENEZUELA [non]. El Hugazo AWOL again, Sunday April 4 at 1645 check, nothing on the AlÛ, Presidente frequencies via CUBA, 17750, 13750, 13680, 12010 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Radio Nacional de Venezuela sent an e-QSL for my report on 6 January 2010, with the following statement: ìEdward friend good morning for reasons of cost we are currently only sending the QSL card electronically.î Date of reception only listed, despite space on QSL for time and frequency. Stamped with CANAL INTERNACIONAL RNV and oval shaped logo. Top of QSL lists Republica Bolivariana de Venezuela, Ministerio del Poder Popular para la Comunicacion y la Informacion, Radio Nacional de Venezuela, Canal International. I used the canalinternacionalrnv@gmail.com address. 73ís, (Ed Insinger, Summit, NJ, April 6, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Well, if they had not been splurging on sending QSLs by Fedex or DHL, they would have had plenty of postage money left (Glenn Hauser, DXLD)

** ZAMBIA. 9540, at 2017 April 6, lively program in English soliciting texts to +27-782-785-300, 1Africa promo, and text number again in next few minutes. Not that there was any doubt, but Googling that number got three hits all connected with 1Africa. What`s it doing on 9540? Scheduled 19-22 on 5940!

So they mispunched the frequency reversing two of the digits, and probably not likely to repeat. Better signal than FEBA 9550 via RWANDA -- see SEYCHELLES [non] and much better than Gabon 9580. I wonder if transmitting on the wrong frequency automatically matches the antenna properly for it?

Thus without even trying, CVC reached North America much better than it could have on 5940 at this hour, aimed due northwest and toward us anyway tho intended only for Nigeria (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1507, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 3385 / Indonesia or New Guinea??? 1040 UT, 3385 kHz - YL mostly in undetermined language, with some male interspersed. Plenty of noise/fade, signal between 3 and 6 on the FRG-7 when not overrun by noise. Completely gone by 1050 UTC. Found on the FRG-7, verified frequency with the DX-440. I'm guessing this signal/source would be better an hour or so earlier according to the prop maps I've seen. Anyone venture to guess what this was? (S McLean, Buffalo, NY, March 31, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED [non]. 7200: 04/Apr 1950 UNID, Music and language that I believe to be African. Good signal, almost local. 73 (Jorge Freitas,

Feira de Santana, Bahia, Brasil, Degen 1103, Dipole antenna, 19 meters - east/west - Balun 4:1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

After 2000 UT, strong QRM difficult when the OM talks. Also the modulation when OM talks is very low. At 2011 UT still with pop mx African. 73 (Freitas, ibid.)

Here too, though very weak. Now (4 April, 20.05) apparently news but too weak to ID language here. Also struggling with splatter from 7205 (IRIB in English). The music would match Sudan which is listed here. 73, (Eike Bierwirth, Leipzig, Germany, JRC NRD-525, PA0RDT MiniWhip, ibid.)

Tal vez la Sudan Radio & TV Corporation. 73 (Arnaldo Slaen, ibid.) Why not Sudan, the only active SW frequency of R. Omdurman (Glenn Hauser, ibid.)

Glenn, I also thought, but when OM speech modulation is low. Also strange to African pop music for long time. R. Omdurman is not Muslim? 73 (Jorge Freitas, ibid.)

Very strong here in south Italy, I hope for an ID (Roberto Scaglione, Siciliy, ibid.)

Arnaldo. Eu sempre escuto aqui a Sudan Radio em 7200 kHz. O que me estranhou foi o sinal forte, porÈm baixo volume na modulaÁ„o quando o locutor falava, o que causou a confus„o na identificaÁ„o do idioma. TambÈm o programa de pop mx africana por longo tempo. Depois entendi o idioma como sendo ·rabe mesmo, mas n„o encontrei um ·udio igual a escuta nos diversos links da Sudan Radio de radio on-line na web. TambÈm imaginei que o Sud„o fosse um paÌs mulÁumano tradicionalista, e estranhei a m˙sica pop. Mas por fim acredito que foi sim a Sudan Radio (R Omdurman). Um abraÁo e obrigado (Jorge Freitas, Feira de Santana Bahia, April 4, condiglist yg via DXLD)

UNIDENTIFIED. 7290 New, 28/3 0000, Radio suddenly starting with reports in Ukrainian, at 0015 ID "Radio Rusia", I presume Russian for Ukraine. Any Idea? (Giampiero Bernardini, RX: Perseus - Ant: Wellbrook LFL 1010, QTH: Bocca di Magra (La Spezia, Italia), dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Deutsche Welle is scheduled in Russian via UAE at 00-01 on 7290 (gh)

UNIDENTIFIED. Trans World Radio ñ 6 April 2010 from 0219 to 0221 UT on 7310 kHz in English with an apparent test transmission. At 0219, station identification by a male announcer: ìYou are tuned to the International Voice of Trans World Radio.î Carrier remained on with dead air time until 0221 UTC, when station identification was repeated

as above, followed by bell Interval Signal once and carrier off immediately thereafter. SINPO = 45444. Due to the short duration, I assumed they were conducting a test on this frequency (Ed Insinger, Summit, NJ, April 6, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Site unknown; SOUTH AFRICA?

UNIDENTIFIED. Hello Glenn, This morning, between roughly 1445 and 1601 UT, (7350 kHz), I heard a station - playing instrumental music - in fact, they played instrumental music during this entire time period. It was American music (Judy Collins - "Bring in the Clowns", Tony Orlando - "Tie a Yellow Ribbon Around the Old Oak Tree"). Station was quite faint. However, at 1600, a woman announcer spoke for about 15 seconds (could not identify language) and 5 high pitched "pips" were heard. Instrumental music continued. Both VOR and CNR are suspected. Yet, at toh, I did not hear Voice of Russia's bell playing identification. Do you suspect this may have been CNR-11 from Baoji - Sifangshan? (Kevin Molander, CA?, April 1, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Supposed to be the Tibetan service, which would not be playing music like that. Don`t know, maybe something else testing (Glenn Hauser, ibid.)

UNIDENTIFIED. 7525, in Chinese at 2200 April 5 with signal S9. English talks translated into Chinese. SOH Zhiwang zhe sheng mentioned on Aoki listing (Zacharias Liangas, Thessaloniki, Greece, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 7560, 2137 April 5 with talks in French, giving rendez-vous with listeners and mentions of the station (in a fadeout), 2140 with spiritual song also at 2155, Sudden s/off 2159. Signal just S2, 23242. Nothing on both lists Aoki or Eibi; spur? harmonic? (Zacharias Liangas, Thessaloniki, Greece, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Suggest is an Intermodulation at M&B Wertachtal site, 7290 and 7425 kHz both 500 kW at 180 degrees to Africa. Only two station FRENCH programs end at 2200 UT, 7205 kHz RFI Issoudun, and 7290 YFR Wertachtal.

Another outlet from Wertachtal also at 2100-2200 UT on 7425 kHz.
So I guess two intermodulations occur in 41 mb, like on 7155 and 7560 kHz, both 135 kHz away. Formula:
7425 x 2 = 14850 minus 7290 kHz = 7560
7290 x 2 = 14580 minus 7425 kHz = 7155
73 wb (Wolfgang B¸schel, ibid.)

UNIDENTIFIED. 9565, open carrier vs DCJC pulses at 1406 April 5. Likely Greenville tuning up for R. MartÌ broadcast which does not start until 1700, but jam it anyway! (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Followup: CUBA [non]

UNIDENTIFIED. 9660, sounds like DRM noise, April 3 at 1349, mixing with an AM signal. Maybe the DRM is Brandon, AUSTRALIA, which in the past has had DRM on 9660, but not on current schedules at this or any times unlike its other frequency 5995. The AM is probably CVC in Hindi via UZBEKISTAN (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 11570 kHz, 2145 UT, signal between 9 and 20 on the FRG-7 (frequency 'verified' with a DX-440). Some fading and noise, but acceptable. Multiple males chanting/singing. Nothing for this frequency in new Aoki A10. Any ideas? (S McLean, Buffalo, NY, April 3, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Glenn, Any thoughts on this one, got 0 replies - Sat Apr 3/2010 (Scott McLean, April 6, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

No, sorry. Must try to hear it again; have you? Conditions have been quite poor last couple days (Glenn to Scott, April 6, via DXLD)

Going to try again today after sales calls. Conditions have been lousy. When RA is weak around 1030 on 9580, I know conditions are less than ideal (Scott, ibid.)

11570 checked April 7 at 2145: nothing audible (Glenn Hauser, DXLD)

UNIDENTIFIED. 12110, UNID like IBB / VOA signal - probably from Iranawila? - noted in 1600-1700 UT range, still a puzzle, maybe an INTERMODULATION? (Wolfgang B¸schel, March 30, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews April 2 via DXLD)

UNIDENTIFIED [non]. A Family Radio identification on 13635 at 1457 UT - then, abruptly left the air. I can't locate this in the various sources on your webpage, nor in the WRTH. Any clues? Thank you for your time (Kevin Molander, CA?, April 1, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

via Wertachtal, Germany, in some South Asian language (Glenn to Kevin, ibid.)

UNIDENTIFIED. 15106, the het is there again, April 3 at 1403 vs 15105, presumed BBC Hausa via Ascension. Noel Green says it`s not Pakistan, so still a mystery; possibly a spur from some other 19m frequency (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 15730, something strange is happening: April 1 at 1804 I hear an AM open carrier, and then it suddenly changes to DRM, and it has ragged edges, extending well beyond the ``only-10-kHz`` bandwidth that DRM proponents claim, out to 15720 and 15740. This bothers a weak VOA Portuguese AM signal on 15740, which is via MADAGASCAR. Then the DRM cuts on and off at 1809.

Checked again April 2: at 1850 the DRM centered on 15730 is ragged again, extending at least 15715-15745. After 1900, at 1908 it`s accompanied by TDP DRM via Bonaire at 15750-15760, i.e. almost continuous noise from 15715 to 15760.

What`s this on 15730? Not a single mention of that frequency on the drmna yg or the DRM RX fora. Once again I hear DRM without a DRM receiver, while those with DRM receivers do not tune around enough to find something like this and identify it.

Possibly it could be the Bonaire transmitter maladjusted, but note that I have heard it both with and without the nominal Bonaire frequency 15755. Bulgaria has also registered a bunch of DRM frequencies around here, but supposedly not scheduled here and now nor is it on http://www.drm.org/for-listeners/live-broadcast-schedule/ (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

I'm getting my SDR rig together. I will have DRM. I plan to tune around quite a bit!!!!! I just wish I had it up NOW to check out the mystery DRM station you mentioned. Thank you for the logs! (Mark Barnett, N8PGV, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 15760, Amigos, estou ouvindo agora uma emissora transmitindo em 15760 kHz. A transmiss„o È em inglÍs e se parece com as da AFRTS. AlguÈm sabe do que se trata?

UNID 15760, EE, 1820, 02/04, OM, nxs 35333 RFP
Receptor: Sony ICF SW 7600G. Antena: RC3-FM.

Amigos, esqueci de dizer que a emissora ouvida agora h· pouco (ela ainda est· no ar), est· transmitindo no modo USB (Rubens Ferraz Pedroso, Bandeirantes - PR, 2 April, ``4:04 pm``, radioescutas yg via DXLD)

Is that Brasilia local time? = 1904 UT. I wish people would specify correct time in UT within their messages!! Note 15760 was used by UKRTW for that one-hour test on Sunday, full AM. New AFRTS? (gh, DXLD)

UNIDENTIFIED. 17495 Dushanbe TJK Voice of Russia program. Help.

17495 Still a puzzle at this end. In past days as well as Apr 2nd noted Voice of Russia program in Urdu 14-15 and Hindi 15-16 UT on very high frequency of 17495 kHz, observed here on two different rxs.

Was puzzled a bit of an intermodulation on Dushanbe, Chita, Irkutsk, or Novosibirsk site. But no formula works so far [6 + 11.5 MHz, 9.9 + 7.55 MHz neither].

Dushanbe 17495 kHz is scheduled from 0700 to 1000 UT for VoRUS towards South Asia and AUS/PAC.

So maybe the engineers left the tx on air still in the afternoon till 1600 UT? Or just propagation test into South Asian subcontinent? wb (Wolfgang B¸schel, Germany, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

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UNSOLICITED TESTIMONIALS
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Hello Glenn. You know, this last week I was talking on the phone with my very good friend Dr. Guido Santacana on our favorite topics, shortwave and old radios. Guido, by the way has a fine collection of old radios: Hallicrafters, Hammarlunds, etc., you name it. I was also complaining on the fact that on a shortwave radio forum where I am the co-host at the Yahoogroups, people don`t even take time to write something, post a good SW DX ... just nothing. And on the conversation your name came to my mind and I was telling Guido of your always fine postings and radio things you post on HCDX frequently and I said: Guido... I wonder what`s going to happen the day when guys like Glenn Houser will not be around.

My sincere congratulations Glenn for your time on HCDX and for the ever good postings you place (Hector NP4FW PÈrez, PR)

PUBLICATIONS
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THE AOKI A10 LIST IS UP, dated 3 April.

http://www.geocities.jp/binewsjp/bia10.txt

(Steve Lare, Holland, MI, USA, 1747 UT April 3, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST) Just up; unfound when I looked an hour before (gh)

THE EIBI SKEDS HAVE BEEN UPDATED as of 5 April:

http://www.eibispace.de/dx/bc-a10.txt
http://www.eibispace.de/
http://www.eibispace.de/dx/freq-a10.txt

(Steve Lare, Holland, MI, USA, 0851 UT April 5, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

HFCC A10 DATA FILE is now available for download:
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http://hfcc.org/data/index.phtml
Direct link : http://hfcc.org/data/a10/a10allx2.zip

(Alokesh Gupta, New Delhi, India, 1008 UT April 8, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

The DOMESTIC BROADCASTING SURVEY 12 (DBS-12), April 2010
edited by DSWCI Chairman, Anker Petersen. ISSN 1399-8218

NEW SURVEY AVAILABLE: The 53 years old DSWCI which counts experienced DX-ers in 33 countries all over the world as members, has just issued the 12th Edition of its annual Domestic Broadcasting Survey. This survey is divided into three parts:

Part 1: The 38th edition of the Tropical Bands Survey covering all ACTIVE broadcasting stations on 2300 - 5700 kHz, including clandestines.

Part 2: Domestic stations on international shortwave bands above 5700 kHz broadcasting to a domestic audience.

Part 3: Deleted frequencies between 2 and 30 MHz which have not been reported heard during the past five years, but may reappear.

This new Survey is based upon many official sources and DX-bulletins. A10 schedules are included when available.

In order to make the DBS reliable, our own monitors around the world have checked throughout the period May 2009 ñ March 2010, if each of the 900 station frequencies is on the air. ACTIVE stations are marked with an A ("Regular"), B ("Irregular") or C ("Sporadic") in the list. D means "Likely inactive".

A unique feature is the right column called "Last log". It shows the last month and year before DBS deadline on March 31, 2010 when the particular station was reported logged by a DX-er somewhere in the world. This is another way of indicating the current audibility of the station. To avoid inactive stations in this DBS, most frequencies which have not been heard during the past year, have been deleted and are moved to Part 3.

Other useful features for easy identification (ID) are the parallel frequencies and reference to Station ID slogans.

Reviews can be found on http://www.dswci.org

All buyers of DBS-12 will get a username and password to the monthly

updates on the tropical bands published as "Tropical Bands Monitor" on our website. The similar data from 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008 and 2009 are available at http://www.dswci.org/tbm to anybody.

The 28 pages A-4 size DBS-12 is available by e-mail as pdf-format (about 365 KB). A limited number is also available printed on paper. Since the clandestines are not included any longer above 5700 kHz, the prices have been reduced.

It is sold by the treasurer:

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Best 73's, (Anker Petersen and Bent Nielsen, April 8, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

A-10 FCC PRIVATE SW SCHEDULE NOW POSTED

The FCC has now posted the A-10 shortwave schedule for all US private SW stations. The URL for the schedule is
http://www.fcc.gov/ib/sand/neg/hf_web/A10FCC01.TXT
(Jim Moats, Ravenna, OH, March 30, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

FCC'S TECHNOLOGY-LENDING LIBRARY TO BE OPEN TO INVITED PUBLIC
By Tony Romm - 03/30/10 11:07 AM ET

A "technology-lending library" meant to help FCC staff become better acquainted with new smartphones and other devices will also be open to the public, perhaps as early as this summer, an FCC official told The Hill on Tuesday. According to Steve VanRoekel, who's overseeing the library's creation, interested consumers will soon have the ability to "request to come in [to the agency], and take a look at devices," like the iPhone, BlackBerry or iPad, among other tools.

The FCC will also encourage viewers to check out various "themes" incorporated into its technology library, VanRoekel said, noting one early exhibit would focus on parental control technology and televisions. And for those interested patrons living far from the FCC's Washington D.C. office, VanRoekel said his agency plans to "put a lot of what we learn and experience with the library online for the general public." . . .
http://thehill.com/blogs/hillicon-valley/technology/89781-fccs-technology-lending-library-to-be-open-to-invited-public
(via Benn Kobb, DXLD)

FM ATLAS XXI

FM Atlas-21 is almost ready. I received the printer's proof from their address in Benton Harbor MI, and the book looks and feels impressive, at 288 pages. Advance order price $20 from "FM Atlas," PO Box 336, Esko MN 55733-0336; VISA, MASTER, AMERICAN EXPRESS or PayPal accepted; 218-879-7676; 218-879-8333. It should be ready in about 2 weeks. For more, Google "FM Atlas" with info on previous editions (Bruce Elving, April 2, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

THE 1974 KIDNAPPING OF USIA OFFICER & DXER ALFRED LAUN

Hi Glenn, In 1974, USIA officer Alfred Laun was kidnapped by ERP guerrillas in Argentina months before Juan PerÛn died. He was an amateur radio operator and Dxer, but labeled a CIA spy by the leftist group, who shot him and stole his radio equipment from his home. The National Archive in Washington has an array of cablegrams between Kissinger and the US Embassy in Buenos Aires, showing how Washington embarked on an effort to kill the spy speculations.
http://www.shortwavescatter.blogspot.com
Thanks, (Marty DelfÌn, Madrid, March 30, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Fred is still an active contributor on the WTFDA TVFM and AM DX lists, from Temple Hills, Maryland (gh, DXLD)

3RD EDITION OF ``RADIO MONITORING --- A HOW TO GUIDE``

Author Skip Arey is now offering his third edition of the popular ``Radio Monitoring --- A How To Guide`` as a free download via the

NASWA website. This guide was originally published by Index Publishing Group and later released by Paladin Press; it had two very successful editions that sold for many years. The guide recently went out of print but Skip has released it on line (for FREE) via Creative Commons license.

You can download a copy thanks to the North American Shortwave Association (NASWA) who have consented to be the primary online source for distribution. The direct link is on Skip`s Facebook page, he said, ``The hobby has been good to me over the years. I am happy to give this book back to the radio community. Enjoy.``

Thanks Skip! We will enjoy your fine publication. I would strongly encourage you to use this as an opportunity to become a member of the NASWA. Source: The SWLing Post http://bit.ly/9gT8Lb
(Via Yimber Gaviria, Colombia, noticiasdx yg via DXLD)

AUDIO SERVICE MAGAZINE CELEBRATES ITS SILVER ANNIVERSARY
Magazine for Blind Radio Enthusiasts filed a void for information.

Lima OH, Friday - April 2, 2010: In March 1985, Fred Vobbe had an idea. Fred knew a blind radio friend who wanted information on the hobby of radio listening. In 1985, information was passed from one hobbyist to another by word of mouth. Fred created the National Radio Club's ìDX Audio Serviceî, a magazine on cassette tape for blind radio enthusiasts. That started a twenty-five year adventure in radio.

DX Radio Hobby - It's not as unusual as you might think. In the early days of radio broadcasting, when the listening audience was comprised of amateur radio operators and experimenters, a new hobby had its beginning. ìDXî, (in the parlance of telegraphers) meant ìlong distance communications, and gradually the term DX came to mean distant reception. The early listener usually constructed his own radio receiver.

The big thrill was to hear voices and music hundreds or thousands of miles away. Today, quality receivers can be purchased for less than forty dollars.

The National Radio Club was formed and started publishing a magazine with details about broadcast stations and listener reports in 1933. The invention of the transistor radio in the 1950s made it easier for babyboomers to listen to out of town radio stations. Today, the National Radio Club has grown to over seven hundred members, two web sites, technical publications, and monthly magazines in print and electronic format. Their magazines inform members about changes in broadcasting, formats, and sporting networks.

Some columns feature listings of what members hear, while others cater to experimenters. At a club meeting Vobbe asked, ìHow many of you grew up listening to the radio, or listened to your radio while in bed at night?î Half the people raised their hands. Many related the same story of listening to radio, under the covers, usually trying to keep it a secret from their parents. ìWe all woke in the morning to find the radio on the table along side our bed, so I don't think we fooled anyoneî, Vobbe said. ìWe listen to radio for a variety of reasons; for music, news, weather, and for sports. Many blind radio enthusiasts love listening to sporting events from far away locations, following teams they enjoy.

Distant radio listening is still as relevant today as it was fifty years ago. The only thing different is the type of receiver. They are now smaller, better, with tactile controls to aid in use.î Ultra-Lite Radios, nicknamed because of their size, now bring domestic and international stations to listeners. These radios come in combinations of AM, FM and Shortwave making listening easier. Many members listen late at night to shows such as the nationally syndicated ìCoast to Coast AMî and other talk shows, and have been heard calling in.

The blind lacked basic information on radio. Although the National Radio Club published a magazine called DX News, the wealth of information in the magazine was not available in a format a blind radio enthusiast could enjoy. Clearly, the solution needed to be the spoke word. The audio cassette tape was a low cost way to provide the information.

In April 1985, Vobbe launched the sixty minute tape magazine. The first issue contained information about what was happening in the month of March and April (1985) in the radio industry. It included a history of legendary rock radio station WLS-890 in Chicago. News stories came from club publications, trade journals, press releases, and listener reports. The cassette magazine later became ninety minutes long, and available as a MP3 download from the club's web site. DX News magazine continues in printed form.

Vobbe is flanked by other editors and writers. ìFor all of us, it's a labor of loveî, said Vobbe. ìThe 'AM Switch' deals with the FCC issue, new, or changing stations. Editor Bill Hale lives in Fort Worth, Texas. Phil Wayne is located in Upper Sandusky, Ohio, and his column, 'Marketscope' plays recordings of radio stations to show what radio is like in other parts of the nation. 'Bandscan' editor, Mark Durenberger from Minneapolis, Minnesota, presents historical stories, and technical discussions.

I am the glue that holds together the magazineî, said Vobbe, who fills out the magazine with news. ìIt's a group effort. None of us could do

this individually, but collectively we can make a difference for the visually impaired radio listener.î

Columns are sent to Vobbe as electronic audio files. Vobbe combines the columns with his writings into a completed magazine on tape. Tapes are duplicated, and mailed to members each month. To this day, the tape duplication is performed essentially the way it was done in 1985 by Vobbe. ìTypically it takes about three days out of month to produce and mail a magazineî, said Vobbe.

Vobbe works full time as Vice President and Chief Operator of the television stations in Lima, Ohio. He is also active in the Lions Club, serving as a past president, and has received a Melvin Jones award. Vobbe also finds time to volunteer with the county's EMA as a Communications Deputy, and serves as EAS cochairman.

In 1989 received Association of North American Radio Club's ìBroadcaster of the Yearî award for his commitment to providing information to the blind. He holds and amateur radio license, W8HDU, and builds his own equipment.

The ìDX Audio Serviceî magazine on cassette tape is available as a yearly subscription from the National Radio Club. The club's web sites are http://www.nrcdxas.org and http://www.e-dxn.com

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(large video file)

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(via Fred Vobbe, NRC DXAS, DXLD)

IRCA POSITIONS AVAILABLE

Currently, DX Monitor, the soft and hard copy publications of the International Radio Club of America, has openings for various positions including Broadcasting Information column editor AND a publishing position which is currently being handled on an interim basis by Phil Bytheway. Anybody wishing to volunteer for one of these positions can contact Phil at Phil_Tekno @ yahoo.com or via usps mail at Phil Bytheway, 9705 Mary NW, Seattle WA 98117. I'm sure Phil would be glad to explain the job in detail, and the person volunteering would be a hero to the club membership. We hope to see this great club last far into the future. 73 (Mike Sanburn KG6LJU, April 1, IRCA via DXLD)

THE NATIONAL RADIO CLUB

The other mediumwave-specialty club in North America, also has open positions, notably needing a new publisher of DX NEWS. Contact Paul Swearingen, plsBCBDXER @ aol.com (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

LA MAGIA DE LAS ONDAS CORTAS ES AHORA UN FARO DX: 02 abril 2010

Amigos: La Magia de las Ondas Cortas, blog DX producido por el Diexista hondureÒo, Denis T·bora, ha adoptado un nuevo nombre y formato, -FARO DX- mediante el cual se continuar· realizando la importante labor de compartir informaciones del mundo de las comunicaciones y la escucha de radioemisoras en onda corta en pro del Diexismo Mundial.

Agradecemos a Ustedes por el apoyo brindado durante todo este tiempo al sitio web "La Magia de las Ondas Cortas". VisÌtanos ahora en: http://farodx.blogspot.com/ y danos tu opiniÛn. Gracias de antemano por socializar e internacionalizar el nuevo blog, les ruego indicarme si ya pueden visualizarlo a travÈs de la world wide web. Bienvenidos y cordiales 73s El Editor, (via Yimber Gaviria, Colombia, playdx yg via DXLD) Lots of QSL illustrations, station linx (gh)

"BCL LIFE 2010" PUBLISHED IN JAPAN

The annual magazine for serious DXers "BCL Life 2010" (all in Japanese) was published on March 29 by Sansai Books Co. Ltd. They published "Restarting BCL 2008" and "Restarting BCL 2009" respectively in 2008 and 2009, and succeeded in making many middle-aged (40-60 years old), who were once the "radio boys" in 1970's, to resume their DX listening hobby with more sophisticated sense.

This is the first Japanese annual magazine for serious DX listeners. "BCL Life 2010" consists of, "Practical Use of PERSEUS receiver", "DX life in the apartment houses", "Making Small Loop Antenna", "Know more about NHK-World Radio Japan", "Little DXpediton with Antenna", "Practical Study of Accessory Equipments for DXing", "DXing in Overseas", "DXing with old Panasonic COUGAR2200 receiver", "Chinese Radio Catalogue", "QSLs & Screenshots of Overseas TV/FM DXing", "Document on St. Helena Day 2009", "DRM reception on shortwave", "DXing with military receivers", "DXing North American MW stations", "Challenging to Overseas TV/FM DXing", "Improving the power of external antenna", In-depth introduction of 13 shortwave stations with Japanese language programs, 8 stations with foreign language programs.

A5 160 pages, with a supplement B6 64 pages "BCL Radio Frequency Data Book"(listing 3300 waves on shortwave). All the articles are written by active DX specialists in Japan.
see http://www.sansaibooks.co.jp/cgi-bin/list.cgi?detail=383

(Takahito Akabayashi, Tokyo, March 31, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

In "BCL Life 2010", I wrote the 18 page article
"Practical Study of Accessory Equipments".

In the article, I rated, Active Loop Antenna for 2.2-20 MHz"? Loop7" (Japan), Quantum QX Loop v2.0 (USA), Tuned Preamplifier for 150 kHz-100 MHz DPA-100B (Japan), Digital Noise Filter NEIM1031 (UK), Synchronous Detector SE-3 MkIV (USA), Noise cancelling Signal Enhancer MFJ-1026 (USA).

In the "In-depth information of the radio stations" section, an interesting information about Radio Pyongyang is given. It was revealed that Mr. Pak Ampok, a famous announcer of Radio Pyongyang Japanese section in the 1970's was executed by shooting due to the purge by Kim Il Sung. Best Regards, (Takahito Akabayashi-JPN, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews March 30 via DXLD)

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AMERICAN RADIO HISTORY

Interesting website with scanned, historical radio publications
See http://www.americanradiohistory.com/

The curator (I guess you'd call him that) is operating his website as a virtual library. Includes such neat items as fully scanned White's Radio Logs from the 1950s. RC (Richard Cuff / Allentown, PA USA, NASWA yg via DXLD)

RADIO JIM CREEK

In the 1950s the U.S. Navy opened a 1 megawatt transmitter in Cascade Mountains of Washington, known as 'Radio Jim Creek.' Here is the newsreel http://www.archive.org/details/LargestR1950
(via Mike Terry, dxldyg via DXLD)

WLW AM TRANSMITTER TOUR 1997

WLW, Cincinnati, Ohio, was the first United States commercial 50 KW station and the only standard broadcast station to ever broadcast at a power of 500 KW from 1934 to 1939! It was also the first to make use of a directional antenna system for skywave radiation control. (WSUN and WFLA, St. Petersburg, FL. shared the first directional antenna system.) http://www.j-hawkins.com/wlw.shtml

WLW was one of the classic 'clear channel' AM Giants of the 20th Century, with 500 kW of power through its famous mast. Paul Jellison managed to get a tour of the facility in 1997 and he shares it with us here in this nice quality video production (via Don Stevens on Facebook)

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WaaRRGi-jRM
"Video and narration by Jim Hawkins - WA2WHV
Chief Engineer: Paul Jellison
There were four operational 50 KW transmitters at this site at the time. The remains of the 500KW transmitter are shown. The site has been cleaned up and updated since 1997.

More detailed information can be seen on my radio website at:
http://www.j-hawkins.com/radio
click on WLW. Other sites are also featured. Enjoy,
Jim Hawkins - WA2WHV" (via Mike Terry, dxldyg via DXLD)

CONVENTIONS & CONFERENCES
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ATTEND NAB'S BROADCAST MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE

Hi Glenn, I just discovered World of Radio, which is a great resource.

The NAB Show http://nabshow.com is a client of our communications firm, and I want to tell you about the Broadcast Management Conference at this year's show, coming up April 10-15 in Las Vegas. Since your site covers broadcasting, I feel it may be a good match for the Broadcast Management Conference.

Your readers may be interesting in attending this year. You can find out more about what the 2010 NAB Show and the Broadcast Management Conference has to offer here: http://ow.ly/15xv1

I'd like to offer you and your readers access to the show ñ a $150 value ñ for free.

Below is a sample blog post and tweet you can use with a special registration code you can pass along to your readers, giving them FREE ACCESS to the exhibit floor, Opening Keynote and State of the Industry Address, Info Sessions, Content Theater and Destination Broadband Theater and Exhibits. Please pass this along and visit http://ow.ly/13T8Q to redeem or register at http://nabshow.com/register with the code A913.

To thank you for helping us spread the word, we'd like to feature World of Radio in our blogroll on the NAB Show blog. We'd appreciate the courtesy of linking back, either in your blogroll, or within the content of your posts, if possible.

Thanks, Glenn, and please let me know how I can help your coverage of the 2010 NAB Show on World of Radio. Don't forget to check out the official show website at http://www.nabshow.com for more information, news, and to register!

Thank you! Jason Rouse, NAB Show Team / Tuvel Communications

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---------- SAMPLE BLOG POST----------

There have been some rapid changes over the last few years that we as a digital broadcasting community face. The 2010 NAB Show is the place to discover new opportunities for all of us in the broadcaster world.

The NAB Show is coming up faster than you think ñ April 10-15 in Las Vegas! For a taste of what the 2010 NAB Show has to offer, check out what the Broadcast Management Conference and discover how to further monetize and manage your digital products in todayís dynamic

marketplace: http://ow.ly/15xv1

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- Info Sessions
- Content Theater and Destination Broadband Theater

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Don't forget to check out the official show website at http://www.nabshow.com for more information, news, and to register!
----------END SAMPLE BLOG POST----------

Sample Tweet:

FREE access to the Exhibit Floor at #NABShow! Just go here to register http://ow.ly/13T8Q Pls RT! (Jason Rouse, April 2, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

READING INTERNATIONAL RADIO GROUP

The next meeting of the Reading International Radio Group will be on Saturday April 10 in Room 3, Reading International Solidarity Centre, 35-39 London Street, Reading at 2.30 p.m.

The meeting will include a look at the recommendations of the House of Lords Communications Committee regarding digital radio, the history of Radio Sweden and their shortwave closure announcement, the last days of the Radio Caroline ship the Mi Amigo including recordings of distress calls and reminiscences of listening to international shortwave broadcasts in the UK before World War 2 as well as other current and historical radio related items and audio extracts.

All are welcome. For more information email me or phone 01462 643899 (Mike Barraclough, UK, worlddxclub yg via DXLD)

LANGUAGE LESSONS GUAM? See GUAHAN; ROMANIA
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DIGITAL BROADCASTING --- DTV see SPAIN; USA WANN, KMOV
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DIGITAL BROADCASTING --- DRM see AUSTRALIA; BELGIUM [non]; BELIZE;
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DIGITAL BROADCASTING --- DAB
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RADIO LOBBY 'HIDES' 2 MILLION ANALOGUE RECEIVER SALES
Mysterious boost for DAB
By Andrew Orlowski, 29th March 2010 11:48 GMT

Maybe the Great Digital Switchover won't be so difficult, after all. The UK's digital radio lobby group has redefined what an analogue radio is, giving DAB a stunning boost in market share.

Read the full story here :
http://www.theregister.co.uk/2010/03/29/analogue_radio_is_hiding/
(via Alokesh Gupta, New Delhi, dxldyg via DXLD)

Figures. Sales figures of various things get jiggered pretty much all over, not just the UK. Certain SW broadcasters should take note that even receiver sales figures are similarly not reliable as a reason for declaring SW dead (Clara Listensprechen, ibid.)

UK: SAVE ANALOGUE RADIO CAMPAIGN

A National Campaign to maintain essential traditional analogue broadcast radio for everyday listening and for use in times of national emergencies. The pressure is on to replace traditional analogue radio broadcasting with Digital Audio Broadcasting (DAB) radio.

Indeed, the UK Government has provisionally set 2015 as the date when the world wide standard frequency modulation (f.m.) services are to disappear from the Band II 87.5 to 108 MHz (v.h.f. f.m. band), to be replaced with DAB radio transmissions. Eventually, the analogue services on long waves (198 kHz) and medium waves (500 kHz to 1.6 MHz) will also be replaced by digital transmissions.

Obsolete radio receivers:
Several million non-DAB equipped radio receivers could be made obsolete, if the Band II plans are implemented - requiring people of all income groups to purchase new receivers. The 'digital effect' is already apparent as very few manufacturers now produce analogue-only receivers.

Practical considerations and technical difficulties:
Unfortunately, the Government's plans don't take into account the large number of practical considerations and technical difficulties

involved with the present forms of digital transmissions - particularly when radio broadcasting is involved because of the 'digital delay' effect (known as Latency). The problems are likely to be difficult to overcome because most listeners use portable receivers, utilising simple antennas (aerials).

So, in response to the Government's proposals I am planning to organise a national campaign urging the Government to retain analogue broadcasting on Band II v.h.f. f.m. and on long and medium waves, while maintaing the DAB radio services on Band III.

Please don't hesitate to contact me if you need further information on the complex problems that are in store for the radio listener in the UK - if the Government's seemingly ill-considered plans proceed.

Thank you. Rob Mannion, G3XFD
Dr. R. B. Mannion G3XFD
Editor Practical Wireless magazine

Southgate
http://www.southgatearc.org/news/april2010/save_analogue_radio.htm
(via Mike Terry, April 3, dxldyg via DXLD)

DIGITAL BROADCASTING --- IBOC
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EVEN PROPERLY OPERATING FM HD WILL INTERFERE WITH ANALOG

Here is NPR's IBOC Coverage & Compatibility Study from November 2009. It shows how FM HD signals create interference to legacy analog stations -- something the Commission ignored when granting the recent HD power increases.

For FM broadcasters, this is one good paper to review before attending the NAB Show -- and before deciding whether to crank up your HD power. Why rush to deteriorate analog reception?

http://www.nprlabs.org/publications/reports/20091218AICCSreport.pdf
(CGC Communicator March 29 via Kevin Redding, TN, ABDX via DXLD)

POWERLINE COMMUNICATIONS
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Of concern to all of us who listen to radio. I was at my local Costco the other day, killing some time before my wife was finished. I noted a home internet package, using your own electrical wiring to distribute internet. Seems to me to be a home version of the dreaded BPL which doesn't appear to be going anywhere. Anyway, the packaging

claimed that it passed Part 15 FCC Guidelines, but upon further investigation, the box clearly states that it uses "2 to 28 MHz".

Ouch!!! Even a few milliwatts of power within a few homes around will be more than enough, I would think, to spoil my attempts at DXing. I sure hope they sell too many, as most people these days buy a good wireless router for the same or less than the cost of this beast. I hope they sell none, and ship them all back to wherever they were made! Anyone out there have the nerve to try it themselves? Comments? (Walt Salmaniw, Victoria, BC, March 31, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST) What exactly is the product called, model, etc.? (gh, DXLD)

I have one of these in my neighborhood and it's really annoying. I've found that it doesn't block signals it just makes listening to them an irritation. Stronger signals easily override the pulses. Also, I've found that the ham bands are notched; so no noise on 41m. And the noise is worse on higher frequencies.

I purchased a Wellbrook 330s to try to minimize the noise. It picks up the noise just as well as a wire antenna but I am able to null most of it. What puzzles me is why they selected SW spectrum. It seems to me that 30 - 50 MHz would have been better since most users in that range use FM rather than AM (Jerry Lenamon, Waco TX, ibid.)

Dr. S.: So this was an actual product (i.e. a physical box that you could take with you)? Did you note the name of the product or a website? I'd be interested in checking them out, in terms of web based reviews and such, to see if any SWLs or hams have had any bad experiences with it.

I use AT&T's U-Verse service for my TV and internet and I'm very involved in a peer-to-peer forum about U-Verse. I did find it odd that a potential customer who could not get U-Verse said "I guess that I will contact my power company to see if I can get the internet through them. :0 Wonder if they rolling out BPL on the down-low? 73, (Dave in Indy Hascall, IRCA via DXLD)

HI-SPEED POWER LINE ADAPTORS

In the UK it has been found that new Power Line Adaptors (PLA, PLT), used for Home Networking, can cause interference right across the spectrum up to as high as 370 MHz.

Results from tests carried out on these devices are now available on the web. It appears the interference from these devices covers the Amateur Radio 50, 70 and 144 MHz bands as well as the DAB and VHF FM Broadcast bands.

The results of the Hi-Speed Home Networking Adaptor tests can be seen at: http://plt.g7cnf.me.uk/belkin.htm

Research carried out at Queen Mary, University of London indicates it is possible to use frequencies up to 600 MHz to transmit Video or Broadband Internet around the household mains:
http://gow.epsrc.ac.uk/ViewGrant.aspx?GrantRef=EP/D033950/1

PLT; PowerLine Telecommunications:
http://plt.g7cnf.me.uk/

UKQRM is a group fighting this radio interference:
http://www.ukqrm.org/

UKQRM Yahoo Group:
http://tech.groups.yahoo.com/group/UKQRM/

How to report PLT / BPL radio interference:
http://www.mikeandsniffy.co.uk/UKQRM/how2.html

Southgate
http://www.southgatearc.org/news/april2010/high_speed_pla.htm
(via Mike Terry, April 3, dxldyg via DXLD)

RADIO EQUIPMENT FORUM
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DC DXING OPTION

In our attempts to create ever-quieter conditions for DXing, I came across a great idea that I don't believe anyone has ever explored, at least on the radio side of things.

I'm a private pilot. All aircraft licensed in Canada, and I'm sure elsewhere, have to carry an ELT, that is, an electronic locator beacon. The batteries for these things are not rechargeable, and by law, must be replaced every 24 months. They are then discarded.

When I checked my local aviation electronics repair shop, which conveniently is right next to my flying club, the owner was more than happy to give me as many of these power supplies as I wanted, and he'll always have an endless supply.

He showed me one. They are simply a bunch of Duracell D-cell alkaline batteries in a pretty flourescent orange plastic case. Now here's the best part: since the ELTs are never turned on, except to briefly test them a few times a year, they are basically fully charged and ready to go for uses outside of the ELT field. Seems like they're not allowed

to re-use them for anything in the aviation world, so there they sat, perhaps a hundred of them.

My mind immediately went to uses in the radio hobby, and specifically DC DXing. No need for expensive lead-acid batteries, etc. I originally wanted a few for use with my aviation GPS unit, to use without using the aircraft's electrical system. My friend who uses this method with his GPS has told me that he's used his for many many months, without needing a replacement, and all this for free!

So, my advice is, call your local aviation electronics shop, and ask them whether they have any expired ELT batteries. I just bet that they'll be more than happy to part with them for a song! I'd be interested in knowing if anyone else has thought of this, and what their experiences were (Walt Salmaniw, Victoria, BC, March 31, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

FLUORESCENT BULBS NEGATIVELY AFFECT AM

Here's something pasted from the FCC page. It pertains to an application by K281AV 104.1 Corpus Christi TX to relay KDAE 1590 AM Sinton TX (from carrying KBNJ *91.7 Corpus Christi), commercial operation. You'll note a litany of problems inherent with AM reception, including some rather new technologies. Bruce Elving.

LIKE OTHER AM STATIONS OPERATING WITH RELATIVELY LOW POWER LEVELS, KDAE(AM) IS ALSO PLAGUED BOTH DAY AND NIGHT BY LOCAL MAN-MADE INTERFERENCE-PRODUCERS INCLUDING LIGHT DIMMERS, FLUORESCENT LIGHTING, TELEVISION RECEIVERS, COMPUTERS, ELECTRIC RAZORS, VACUUM CLEANERS, MICROWAVE OVENS, AND LED TRAFFIC SIGNALS. ANOTHER CONCERN OF CONTINUALLY INCREASING MAGNITUDE IS THE MEDIUM WAVE BROADCAST INTERFERENCE GENERATED BY THE NEW WAVE OF FLUORESCENT SCREW IN REPLACEMENTS FOR CONVENTIONAL INCANDESCENT LIGHT BULBS, WHICH BECAUSE OF THEIR SIGNIFICANTLY LONGER LIFE AND EXTREME EFFICIENCY ARE RAPIDLY GROWING IN FAVOR AMONG BUSINESSES AND HOME CONSUMERS ALIKE. THESE FACTORS SEVERELY LIMIT AM RADIO RECEPTION. BY TRANSLATING KDAE(AM) THE PUBLIC INTEREST WOULD BE SERVED. . .

[I take issue with L-E-Ds causing interference. I find it a clean technology, and have used L-E-Ds in radios which have been modified in our shop here in Esko MN. Your comments are welcome.] (Bruce Elving, MN, April 2, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

It did say "LED TRAFFIC SIGNALS" and not simply LEDs. There are LED lighting systems that modulate LEDs by pulsed signals to control brightness, reduce heat and extend life. There are applications that may also control color, but I am not certain what technologies are used for various LED traffic signals. There also could be new

technology being implemented for new traffic light systems that happens to be included with the new LED traffic lights which had not been previously used. So, there is plenty likelihood for a good basis of the claim before even researching the specifics of the claim based upon applications I have seen discussed in some technical journals that could relate to traffic lighting.

Have you checked on technology used in LED traffic lighting? The Broca-Sulzer effect says the LED looks about twice as bright to the human eye when voltage is pulsed in comparison with an LED driven by a DC.

"Based on an evaluation test using subjects, the group reported that a blue (464 nm) LED looks 1.5-1.9 times brighter, while green (520 nm) and red (633 nm) LEDs look 2.0-2.2 and 1.0-1.3 times brighter, respectively."

Also, a pulsed LED can be driven to higher brightness for the same temperature limitation since it is not generating as much heat compared to one lighted continuously with DC. But, again, this is info about LEDs I just happen to know only a little bit about.

For all I know, the traffic lights in that Texas town may operate on DC and not generate any RF hash for the LEDs or any other technology that particular LED traffic light systems uses (Alan Kilgore, CPBE, Chief Engineer, WRVM 102.7 FM, work phone 920-842-2900, ham callsign WB4THU, station web: http://www "dot" wrvm "dot" org/ personal web site: http://www "dot" ez-net "dot" com/~alankilgore/ ibid.)

ON DIFFERENT WAVELENGTHS OVER EMFs

Allentown, PA's newspaper ran this article about apparent new interest in "EMF Smog". Alas, degraded shortwave reception isn't on this list of impacts, but it isn't every day that the term EMF shows up in one's local newspaper.
http://www.mcall.com/health/all-wavelengths-040510,0,1845230.story
(Richard Cuff / Allentown, PA, April 6, NASWA yg via DXLD)

MP3 Recorder

Hello All, One of the DX'ers recently inquired to me about MP3 recording software. I tracked down what sounded like a good program and passed it along. Tonight I tested it and it worked fine. Here's where one can get the program for free:
http://www.freedownloadscenter.com/Multimedia_and_Graphics/Misc__Sound_Tools/Free_MP3_Recorder.html

Here's the test recording I just made from it, if you'd like to hear

it in use: http://www.archive.org/details/Wpxn104.9FmApril5th2010

The program is easy to use, free, and the site I obtained it from doesn't seem to cause trouble (Curtis Sadowski, IL, WTFDA via DXLD)

DISTANCE BETWEEN TWO POINTS

That would be using Lat. and Long. between two points to find mileage. Any web-sites to find this info? (Roy Barstow, MA, Mardh 28, WTFDA-AM via DXLD)

There are a number of them. Below are the two I mostly use.

http://www.indo.com/distance
http://www.geobytes.com/CityDistanceTool.htm?loadpage
(Russ Edmunds, Blue Bell, PA (360' ASL), ibid.)

http://jan.ucc.nau.edu/~cvm/latlongdist.html
http://www.nhc.noaa.gov/gccalc.shtml
http://www.csgnetwork.com/latlongdistcalc.html

I'll trade you this info for 2 hours of FM Es!!!
(Mike Hawkins, ibid.)

KIWA ELECTRONICS HAS NEW URL

Have you looked up Kiwa Electronics on the web? That's the company that offers various accessories for shortwave listeners such as the SW Preamp and the Pocket Loop antenna, along with kits to upgrade various SW receivers, for improved audio fidelity. Their URL has changed: http://www.kiwa.us (Joe Hanlon, NJ, April 7, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

RADIO SHACK MAY MERGE WITH BEST BUY??????????

March 26, 2010, 11:52 a.m. EDT RadioShack's next act could be a sale
Commentary: Electronics retailer reportedly looking for a way out
By MarketWatch

NEW YORK (MarketWatch) -- Looks like someone may be about to put RadioShack out of its misery. Citing people close to the situation, a report in the New York Post said the consumer-electronic s retailer (NYSE:RSH) is exploring strategic alternatives, including selling itself.

Read New York Post story on RadioShack.
http://www.nypost.com/p/news/business/radioshack_search_G0XzMIn7DFx74tx6LpUzVJ

The company has been shopping itself around as a leveraged buyout play

to private-equity firms, or it may be considering a merger with Best Buy Co. (NYSE:BBY), the largest U.S. electronics retailer, the report said.

RadioShack shares soared in Friday morning trading.

RadioShack Corp. struggled for years to right its business. The company was posting losses, declining sales and weak margins. It implemented a sweeping restructuring, shut underperforming stores, cut jobs and freshened merchandise and named turnaround expert and retail veteran Julian Day to run the company. Things seemed to be on the right track.

Then the recession hit. It's tried to focus on its wireless offerings and promote its smaller size as a differentiator amid a sea of big-box stores. The Fort Worth, Texas-based company has done major store overhauls and last summer tried rebranding itself as "The Shack." RSH 23.65, +1.85, +8.49%. Enough, already.

Meanwhile, as RadioShack has floundered, Best Buy has thrived.

Best Buy just posted a better-than- expected 37% jump in fiscal fourth-quarter profit as shoppers were willing to buy flat-panel televisions, notebook computers and mobile phones. Chief Executive Brian Dunn said gadgets like these are no longer considered discretionary. Read more about Best Buy's results.

RadioShack has put up a mighty fight to keep the company strong, profitable and public. It might be time to try something new ... again
(via Don KA9QJG, shortwavebasics yg via DXLD)

Hi All, I used to shop at Radio Shack for kits/books/parts/ radios & just to look around. I know that Radio Shack doesn't really have anything much for the diehard radio enthusiast but I do hope that their product line, even such as it is, some how manages to stay intact when the new owner takes them over.

It will seem weird going to Best Buy to shop for cb, scanner. & shortwave radio gear tho. We radio hobbyists need a place to go on a Saturday afternoon for a part like a fuse holder or some resisters/capacitor s, that we don't want to wait for to come in the snail mail, for a project that we are working on that is almost completed & that we want to play w/after dinner.

I wonder what the new name will be --- BestBuy/Radio Shack, Best Radio Shack Buy, Best Radio Buy Shack, Best Buy/The Shack, Best The Buy Shack, Best The Shack Buy, Best Shack Buy, Best Buy Shack..... .?

I guess it is just the sign of the times.

73/75 de (ka9jwx, Paul Lewis Webster
SKCC #5322
John 3:16
Proud member of the;
ARRL
NRA
Handihams
LiveFreeUSA
60 Plus (even tho I am younger then 60)
Long: -87.334L (-87*20'3"W)
Lat: 41.4967N (41*29'48"N)
EN61HL
Merrillville, Indiana, 46410-3503, USA
;-) shortwavebasics yg via DXLD)

RadioShack may be up for sale soon. The company is considering share buybacks or selling itself for "more than 3 billion." A Best Buy merger is possible.

http://www.nypost.com/p/news/business/radioshack_search_G0XzMIn7DFx74tx6LpUzVJ
(New York Post March 26, 2010 via Mike Terry, dxldyg via DXLD)

WILL BEST BUY PURCHASE RADIOSHACK
April 1, 5:19 PM, Minneapolis Business News Examiner, Matthew Kassner

Best Buy and RadioShack could be on the verge of becoming one. If the rumors are true Best Buy could be considering the acquisition of RadioShack. Though there is no official word from either side this might be an end of an era for consumer electronics. See more details here. . .
http://www.examiner.com/x-14446-Minneapolis-Business-News-Examiner~y2010m4d1-Will-Best-Buy-purchase-RadioShack
(via Kevin Redding, April 1, ABDX via DXLD)

Twin Cities newspaper report from today.....
http://www.examiner.com/x-14446-Minneapolis-Business-News-Examiner~y2010m4d1-Will-Best-Buy-purchase-RadioShack

Tech Spot website report.....
http://www.techspot.com/news/38383-RadioShack-exploring-sale-or-merger-with-Best-Buy.html

Wall Street News story from March 26.....
http://blogs.wsj.com/deals/2010/03/26/radioshack-could-this-finally-be-the-year-for-a-buyout/
(Jim Thomas, Colorado, April 1, WTFDA via DXLD)

Most Radio Shack stores don't have the floor space to do major component sales. They do, however, have the space to sell all the gizmos you need to hook up those big components purchased at Buy More.

If I were running the show, I'd have Radio Shack continue selling the small electronics and wires and connectors, maybe adding online ordering and delivery to Radio Shack at no charge for any of the non-appliance stuff the big store sells. This gives convenient local access to the bits you need to connect the big fancy boxes without seriously eroding the market for the big store. They could also run Nerd Herd staff out of RS, something I suggested the last time there was discussion of what to do with RS. Sell the big screen out of the big store and let the local guy from RS do the installation and after-sale service (Jay Heyl, ABDX via DXLD)

PROPAGATION
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"RADIO-ACTIVE" SUNSPOT
Space Weather News for March 29, 2010 http://spaceweather.com

Over the weekend, big sunspot 1057 emitted a series of radio bursts that caused roaring sounds to issue from the loudspeakers of shortwave receivers. Visit today's edition of http://spaceweather.com
http://spaceweather.com/archive.php?view=1&day=29&month=03&year=2010

to hear a sample "roar" [circa 21 MHz]
http://www.heliotown.com/201003281813ut2123Ashcraft.mp3

and to find out how you can build your own solar radio burst monitor.

New subscribers may sign up for free space weather alerts at
http://spaceweather.com/services/
(via Scott Royall, swprograms via DXLD)

GEOMAGNETIC STORM DETAILS

http://www.spaceref.com/news/viewsr.html?pid=33826

Plus there were press reports from Canada of intense Aurora Borealis in early morning hours (Curtis Sadowski, IL, April 5, WTFDA via DXLD)

For the first time in many months, Geomagnetic storms reaching the G3 level have occurred, says SWPC, and the K-index hit 7 at 12 UT on April 5. Since then every three hours the K has been reported as 5-4-3-2-5-6-4-4-4, ending at 15 UT April 6. Solar flux and A-indices: April 4, 79 and 12; April 5, 79 and 37.

This has severely degraded SW reception, except on the lower frequencies and except for southerly paths on some higher bands (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

AURORAL FUN

Considering the interesting stuff going on in the ionosphere the past two days, I'm amazed how quiet these lists have been - isn't anybody listening?

The auroral conditions are subsiding now, but there are still lots of excellent Latin American signals tonight - Cubans everywhere, Colombia like a local on 760, destroying WJR, R. Coro Venezuela on top of 780, and many more. Loads of unid stations, some with large frequency offsets, putting loud hets on their channels. A highlight was finding R. Catolica Nicaragua nearly alone on 720... here's a clip, recorded about half an hour ago:
http://topazdesigns.com/ambc/audio/ynrc-720-2255-6apr10.mp3

Last night, ZNS made a rare appearance here on 1540, and I had several new domestic catches from NC/SC/FL. Auroras are very cool, and although this wasn't a monster one, it's the best I've observed here since 2006 (Barry McLarnon VE3JF Ottawa, ON, 6 April, IRCA via DXLD)

POOR SHORTWAVE RECEPTION CONDITIONS

Jan Alvestad's solar activity site gives reason for the poor shortwave reception conditions yesterday (which seem to be continuing today):

Recent activity --- The geomagnetic field was unsettled to severe storm on April 5. Solar wind speed ranged between 465 and 832 km/s, at first under the influence of a high speed coronal hole stream. SOHO observed a strong solar wind shock at 07:59 UTC, the arrival of the CME [Coronal Mass Ejection] observed on April 3 after just 46 hours in transit. The solar storm caused active to severe storming for the remainder of the day. [...] http://www.solen.info/solar/
(Alan Pennington, April 6, BDXC-UK yg via DXLD)

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Prepared by the US Dept. of Commerce, NOAA, Space Weather Prediction Center
Product description and SWPC contact on the Web
http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/weekly.html
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Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
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HIGHLIGHTS OF SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY 29 MARCH - 04 APRIL 2010

Solar activity has been at very low levels with isolated B-class flares. The SOHO/LASCO C2 imagery observed an uncorrelated CME on 30 March off the southeast limb. The visible disk was populated with three sunspot groups during the period. Region 1057 (N15, L=324, class/area Dki/290 on 29 March) was the largest group but was in a gradual decay phase. Region 1059 (S23, L=265, class/area Hsx on 29 March) produced the largest event, a long duration B7 flare on 03/0954UTC which was associated with a halo CME. The plane-of-sky speed for this halo CME was estimated to be about 500 km/s. Region 1060 (N24, L=176, class/area Dro/090 on 4 April) was numbered late in the period.

No proton events were observed at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at normal levels during 29 March-1 April. Flux levels increased to moderate levels on 2 April. A further increase to high flux levels occurred on 3-4 April.

The Geomagnetic field was at quiet to unsettled levels for most of the period. Solar wind velocities rose from 345-559 km/s throughout the period. Before the rise in the solar wind speed, a solar sector boundary change was observed by the ACE spacecraft early on 31 March. Brief active periods occurred during 28 March, 1-2 April, and 4 April due to the elevated wind speeds. On 2 April, the ACE spacecraft observed a shock at 02/0635Z with wind speeds rising from 435 to 540 km/s. The Boulder magnetometer measured a sudden impulse of 19 nT at 02/0721Z. These effects are most likely from the CME observed on 30 March off the southeast limb.

FORECAST OF SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY 07 APRIL - 03 MAY 2010

Solar activity is expected to be at very low levels with a chance for C-class events during 07-14 April. As Region 1059 and new Region 1061 (N14, L=232, class/area Dso/050 on 5 April) rotate off the visible disk, activity is expected to decrease to very low levels for the rest of the forecast period.

No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at very high levels on 7-8 April, high levels on 9-11 April, moderate levels on 12-14 April, and normal levels the rest of the period. However, moderate to high flux levels are possible during 30 April- 3 May.

The Geomagnetic field is expected to be at quiet to active levels with a slight chance for minor storming on 7-8 April due the waning effects of a CME and a coronal hole high speed stream. The geomagnetic field is expected to return to quiet levels for the remainder of the interval 9 April-3 May.

:Product: 27-day Space Weather Outlook Table 27DO.txt
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Product description and SWPC contact on the Web
http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/wwire.html
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27-day Space Weather Outlook Table
Issued 2010 Apr 06
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# UTC Date	Radio Flux 10.7 cm	Planetary A Index	Largest Kp Index
2010 Apr 07	85	20	4
2010 Apr 08	85	15	3
2010 Apr 09	83	7	2
2010 Apr 10	81	5	2
2010 Apr 11	80	5	2
2010 Apr 12	80	5	2
2010 Apr 13	80	5	2
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(SWPC via WORLD OF RADIO 1507, DXLD)

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HALAL SEX WEBSITE - NO CONTRADICTION
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It's been dubbed the world's first halal online sex shop. But the man behind http://www.elasira.nl Abdelaziz Aouragh, is quick to stress that this is a "total misconception" put about by the media. He says it's a web shop - aimed at Muslim couples and coming from an Islamic perspective - that promotes sexual well-being. Sharia compliant.

Listen to a Newsline interview with Mr Aouragh here [linked]:

El Asira, or 'The Society', looks nothing like the kind of site regular visitors to internet sex shops might expect. The website's founder, 29-year-old Dutch national Abdelaziz Aouragh, likes to describe it as "elegant and chic". There's no nudity, and nothing sexual about the website's appearance.

And there are different entrances to the site for men and women. Mr Aouragh even consulted a Muslim scholar before putting the website online to make sure every detail was permissible according to Islam. He hesitates to call the website 'halal', but says that as a Muslim he wouldn't put anything on sale that he wasn't allowed to use himself.

Sharia compliant

"The important thing is that we try to be sharia compliant. You won't find any pornography or anything that comes close to it. You'll find there's a women's range, a men's range, sexuality and information, and you also have the possibility to ask questions concerning products, or concerning sexuality in Islam in a broader way. There's a large market for it, and it's probably also the first of its kind. So hopefully, insha'Allah, we are pioneers in what we're going to do."

Visitors to the website finds pictures of bottled lubricants and oils, and jars of what claim to be powerful aphrodisiacs. But despite the absence of naked bodies or sex toys, the website is certainly hot when it comes to web traffic. When over a 100,000 web surfers tried to visit the site, El Asira went down within days.

The response to the website from its Muslim visitors has been positive, says the site's founder - at least, when the initial hostility fanned by media reports died down. The change came as more people saw the site with their own eyes, he says, and found information on sexual health rather than sleaze, vibrators and porn.

Quality aphrodisiacs

El Asira might not be a sex shop, but it's a commercial site, selling products and services. The main items on sale promise to boost the customer's libido - quality aphrodisiacs, says Mr Aouragh, from a Swedish supplier.

"The products actually contain biological herbs. And the herbs have been used for thousands of years as an aphrodisiac. But with modern technology, they've been altered to gain maximum pleasure and function."

Alongside the natural aphrodisiacs, Mr Aouragh says he plans to add a range of lingerie to El Asira's collection. He's already negotiating with a "famous, award-winning lingerie designer" to create a line for the website.

Taboo

El Asira is based in the Netherlands, which with its thriving sex industry might seem a likely home for a sex website of any description. But for Muslims in more conservative parts of the Islamic world, one might think it would prove to be a step too far. Not so, according to Mr Aouragh. He says you'll find the products he sells on sale in Islam's holiest cities. Many non-Muslims assume sexuality is a taboo subject in Muslim families, but Mr Aouragh says that's far from the truth. In fact he claims the Islam has taught him a lot about the importance of a good sex life. What's more, he adds, Muslims living in the Middle East are much less prudish when it comes to sexuality compared to Muslims living in the in Europe. It's in the West that Muslim's have trouble finding answers to their questions about sex from an Islamic perspective.

"The knowledge level in Mecca or Medina in Saudi Arabia is far higher than the knowledge level they have here in, for instance, Holland. If you have a crucial question concerning sexuality in the Middle East, it's very easy to go an ask it. It's not only Muslims who have difficulties talking about sexuality. If we take the major religions, Judaism, Christianity and Islam, you'll see that Islam is the broadest concerning sexuality."

Mr Aouragh is keen to stress that his website is for anyone, not just for Muslims. And he has big plans for expansion beyond cyberspace. The location remains top secret, but in the next phase he plans to open a shop. Or in the language of the entrepreneur himself, a "sharia-compliant physical concept store".

http://www.elasira.nl http://www.elasira.com
(Radio Netherlands News, April 1 via DXLD)

Strangely, the websites are unavailable (gh, DXLD)

April 1st: So, were you fooled...? Yesterday BBC Radio 4 spun a yarn about how Shakespeare, Britain's most famous writer, could in fact be French through his mother Mary Arden, saying her name was in fact Mary Ardennes. It even recruited former French culture minister Jack Lang to play along with the "discovery."

Among many stories was the good news that tunnelling ferrets are going to deliver broadband internet services to remote areas.

Perhaps most worrying, to English sports fans, was that Geoff Hurst, hero of England's historic 1966 World Cup win, had admitted that the ball never crossed the line in his controversial second goal in the 4-2 victory over West Germany.

In Australia, an elaborate hoax by the Sydney Morning Herald and ABC radio said soccer star David Beckham has been lured to join the country's World Cup campaign by a basket of fruit and a "get well soon" card after a recent injury.

However not every story that looks like an April Fool is an April Fool. This for example from BBC News
http://www.bbc.co.uk/caribbean/news/story/2010/04/100402_ambriefs.shtml

"Titanic" sinking

Coastguards in Cornwall in south west England were concerned they'd been caught by an early April Fools on Wednesday night, when the "MV Titanic" got in contact to say they were sinking. The yacht was thousands of miles away in the Caribbean, so coastguards in America dealt with the call, which was genuine (via Mike Terry, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

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The April 1 2010 issue of BLANDX has been released.
http://www.blandx.com
(Bill Kyle, CEO, The BLANDX Corporation, March 29, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

CAPITOL STEPS --- POLITIX TAXE A HOLIDAY

As reminded by its appearance on KANW Albuquerque Monday April 5 at 1500 UT, don`t miss this quarter`s Capitol Steps comedy special for

April 1: http://www.capsteps.com/sounds/Radio-1004.rm
(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST) ###